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Dramatic Air Dash Across China

General Liu Gravely Wounded By Honan Assassin

Shanghai, To-day.

A dramatic dash by air across half of China to save the life of General Liu Du-chuen, commander of the 49th Route Army, has revealed the story of an attempted assassination at Haifung, Honan, which only narrowly failed of its purpose.

GENERAL LIU WAS SHOT DOWN GRAVELY WOUNDED JUST AS HE WAS LEAVING HIS HEADQUARTERS IN HAI-FUNG ON WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The unknown assailant was killed on the spot, his body being riddled with the bullets of General Liu's bodyguards.

Doctors were hurriedly brought to General Liu Du-chuen but the wounds were dangerous and they advised immediate transportation to Shanghai by aeroplane in order that an operation might be carried out as quickly as possible.

The "ambulance plane" arrived at Lungghwa Aerodrome at 6 p.m. last evening and General Liu is now lying in the Chungshan Memorial Hospital.—Our Own Correspondent.

CORONATION DAY IN SHANGHAI

Lavish Scheme Of Decorations

Shanghai, To-day.

The face of many buildings in Shanghai is being transformed with decorations for Coronation Day.

The most lavish decorations adorn the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's building on The Bund, which bears the royal symbols, the White and Red Ensigns, the Union Jack and a huge inscription reading "Long Live the King" all in red, white and blue electric bulbs.

Meanwhile, as a compliment to the British community, the administration building of the Shanghai Municipal Council will be festooned.

A proposal to this effect, submitted by the new American Chairman of the Council, Mr. C. S. Franklin, was carried unanimously.—Reuter.

Disastrous Fire At Canton

Canton, To-day.

At 1.30 a.m. to-day, a great fire occurred in Taisze Street, in Honan Island, Canton. It is learned that there are about twenty buildings burned down but the total loss of the fire is not known yet.—Our Own Correspondent.

MRS. SIMPSON

Application To Be Made On Monday

London, To-day.

Mrs. Ernest Simpson's application for her decree nisi to be made absolute will come before Mr. Justice Bucknill on May 3.—Reuter.

ALLEGED GERMAN PLANES

BILBAO, TO-DAY.

AN AIR RAID DESIGNED TO DISCOURAGE BRITISH BLOCKADE RUNNING CAUSED TREMENDOUS EXCITEMENT AND ALARM AMONG BRITISH VESSELS IN BILBAO HARBOUR LAST EVENING.

Bombs fell all round the four British ships in Bilbao at the time. Fifteen insurgent bombers took part in the attack and it is stated that they were, apparently, German machines.

The raid lasted only for a quarter of an hour but although many bombs were dropped, none of the vessels was hit though the spray splashed them.

"I thought our number was up when they came straight for us," said a member of the crew of one of the freighters afterwards.

WARNED EARLIER

The insurgent cruiser, "Espana" had previously sent a wireless warning which was picked up at St. Jean de Luz, that British merchantmen were sure to be bombed or machine-gunned if they ventured within Bilbao harbour.

It is considered that this warning indicates that the planes deliberately sought out the vessels as a target.—Reuter.

NO STABILITY IN NEW PROSPERITY CHAIRMAN'S WARNING AT I.C.I. MEETING IN LONDON

London, To-day.

"Britain's present-day prosperity has no stable foundation. It will not be permanent," warned Lord McGowan, head of Imperial Chemical Industries, presiding at the annual meeting of shareholders of the gigantic combine yesterday.

Dealing with I.C.I. business, he pointed out that the company's enterprises in Spain had been practically paralysed and that considerable losses have occurred in this branch of the Company activities.

Commenting on the monetary problem, the Chairman declared that international stability could not be hoped for until a policy of close co-operation between the United States and Great Britain was achieved.

"The present period of prosperity will not be permanent," he stated, "and industries must look forward to a decrease in the volume of business."

The foreign market was very doubtful, he concluded, though trade within the country itself had a favourable immediate future.—Trans-Ocean.

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COLLAPSE ON MARKETS

UNEASINESS IN N.Y. AND LONDON

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Considerable uneasiness prevails on the New York and Paris stock markets as a result of yesterday's worldwide decline of prices.

Prices on all the major markets of the world slumped in dramatic fashion under a wave of selling orders.

In New York, operators are anxiously awaiting the next end of account on the London Stock Exchange.

Considerable fear is expressed that London is experiencing financial difficulties, though other quarters think this report is somewhat exaggerated.

However, uncertain dealers are taking no chances, and selling orders were accelerated yesterday.

Official circles in Washington declared yesterday that the American markets were merely getting the repercussions of the difficulties in foreign centres.

PARIS SLUMP

From Paris it is reported that considerable uneasiness exists in French financial circles over the depression ruling on all the chief stock markets of the world.

The "Liberte," discussing the crisis on the Paris Bourse, writes that yesterday's market was flooded with a wave of selling orders for no apparent reason, resulting in a violent collapse of prices.

"Journal des Debats" speaks of the "whirlwind" that is sweeping over all the great stock markets and visited Paris yesterday.

The drastic decline in international stocks became more accentuated yesterday, and had a very marked effect on French fixed interest securities.

The financial journal "l'Information" speaks of "panic" and estimates yesterday's slump in investments at about 1,000,000,000 francs.—Trans-Ocean.

LONDON DISTURBANCE

The depression prevailing on the London Stock Exchange for several days past assumed still greater dimensions yesterday, shares falling to a level not experienced since 1931.

In view of this disturbing development, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, was asked in the House yesterday whether it was possible to publish further details of the application of the new Growth of Profits Tax.

Mr. Chamberlain refused to give a definite undertaking, adding that most probably precise details would not be available till the House met again after the Coronation, on May 24.—Trans-Ocean.

Ray Woods, a professional "stunt" diver, narrowly escaped death when he jumped from a span 186 ft. high of the new bridge across San Francisco Bay.

The annual Nazi Party Congress at Nuremberg will take place from Sept. 7 to 13.

The Australian film censor has banned a news reel which shows the Duke of Windsor skiing in Austria.

CIVIL LIST REPORT

Duke Of Gloucester's Allowance

THE PRINCESSES

London, To-day.

It is understood that the report of the Civil List committee recommends that the sum of \$110,000 be granted for the King's privy purse, which is the same as in previous reigns.

The allowance of the Duke of Gloucester, it is recommended, should be increased from \$25,000 to \$35,000, while Princess Elizabeth should receive \$6,000 until she reaches the age of eighteen.

Princess Margaret Rose should be granted \$6,000 when she reaches her eighteenth birthday.

If a son is born to the King and Queen, Princess Elizabeth's allowance should be the same as that of Princess Margaret Rose, namely \$6,000 when she reaches the age of eighteen.—Reuter.

NURSES AT THE CORONATION

Hong Kong Delegates In Bombay

Through the instrumentality of Colonel J. L. Sleeman, C. B. the Chief Commissioner St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas, the Chinese nurses of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hong Kong, who are proceeding to England for the Coronation and Jubilee of the Brigade, on the s.s. "Ranchi," were received by His Excellency the Governor of the Bombay Presidency, Lord Brabourne, K.U.I.E., D.S.O.K. St. John at Government House Bombay, during the vessel's stay there.

They were accompanied by the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Langley and were introduced to their Excellencies, Lord and Lady Brabourne by Colonel Sleeman. His Excellency expressed his pleasure at meeting these representatives of the Order of which he is the head in this Presidency, and asked the nurses to send his best wishes to all who belonged to the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Hong Kong.

Later the nurses were driven round all the sights of Bombay in two of the Government House Motor Cars, expressing themselves delighted with their stay prior to departure for Aden.

KING CHRISTIAN'S RIDING MISHAP

While riding through the streets near the Royal Palace King Christian of Denmark met with what Court officials describe as a "slight accident." His horse shied at a passing lorry and his Majesty was thrown.

For a few seconds his position was dangerous, but he was able to mount again unaided and rode back to his apartments at the Palace.

King Christian, who will be 67 next September, is nearly 7ft in height—the tallest monarch in Europe.

The cruiser Dunedin returned to Portsmouth after 13 years' service with the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy.

THE WORLD GOES BY

TREMENDOUS excitement occurred when Bicycle Pump, the *China Mail* entrant for the St. George's Plate at the Fourth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley on Saturday, was secretly tested at dawn over a deserted stretch of country somewhere in the New Territories.

Bicycle Pump, the *China Mail* wonder horse who was purchased for \$1.50 (cash) and won the Cambridgehire, the Ostend Prix International, the Grand Prix de Paris, the Kentucky Derby, the Santa Anita Handicap, the Agua Caliente Handicap, and (disguised as a greyhound) the Waterloo Cup, will (we feel sure) delight his many admirers on Saturday when he romps home with the Plate.

At yesterday's dawn trial, the aviation correspondent had fitted a special variable-pitch propeller which gives the noble quadruped an air speed of 154.8621 miles per hour.

Ulysses, who was skulking in the bushes nearby, was ordered by a director to pilot Bicycle Pump.

With a terrifying roar, the equine hope of Wyndham Street roared over the hangars and streaked like a silver bullet across the azure sky (copy-right).

Then, putting the super-animal into a power dive, the pilot zoomed down and skimmed over the heads of the breathless spectators.

In an interview afterwards, Ulysses laconically told Ulysses:—

"Glad you think it's a good show. Actually it was frightfully easy after we left Newfoundland. Definitely easy. No, you can deny rumours of my getting a divorce. I knew I should make it. All I want is a brandy."

We are going to give Bicycle Pump a rest to-day. We are also going to give our large and admiring public a rest to-morrow by refraining from publishing any further dope on the *China Mail* wonder horse.

Nothing, therefore, will appear until the result of the race in the *China Mail* (Page 3, Column 1) on Monday.

As a tremendous rush on the paper is anticipated for that day, place your order for a copy of the *China Mail* now.

Nothing will be kept from you, my dear public, and a true, accurate and inspiring account of the greatest race of the year will be yours, all for only 10 (ten) cents. Place your order now, and (don't forget this either), back Bicycle Pump for the St. George's Plate.

ULYSSES.

BOY FILM ACTOR'S "ADOPTION"

U.S. Court Agreement

Freddie Bartholomew, the English boy film actor, whose tangled fortunes were in the limelight in Hollywood a year ago in the parental fight over his earnings, has been finally legally adopted by his aunt, Miss Millicent Bartholomew. She presented the Superior Court with

CHRIST CHURCH FUND

The following donations to the Building Fund of Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, are acknowledged:—

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The Building Committee would like to thank all those who have contributed. The sum of about \$3,200 is still required to pay off the balance of the cost of building and furnishing, and further donations will be very welcome and may be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Miss R. Mow Fung, c/o Gilman and Co. Ltd.

HONG KONG CLIPPER

Exchange Of Telegrams

The following telegrams were exchanged between the Officer Administering Government, Mr. N. L. Smith, and the Managing Director of the China National Aviation Corporation in Shanghai on the occasion of the inaugural flight of the Hong Kong Clipper:—

From Mr. Daienki to Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith:—

On the occasion of the first linking up of C.N.A.C. with the Trans-Pacific clipper service at Hong Kong I beg to extend my hearty thanks to your Government for permitting C.N.A.C. to provide the connecting link to this service. I regret pressure of duty prevents my participation this memorable day in the annals of air communications.

From Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith to Mr. Daienki:—

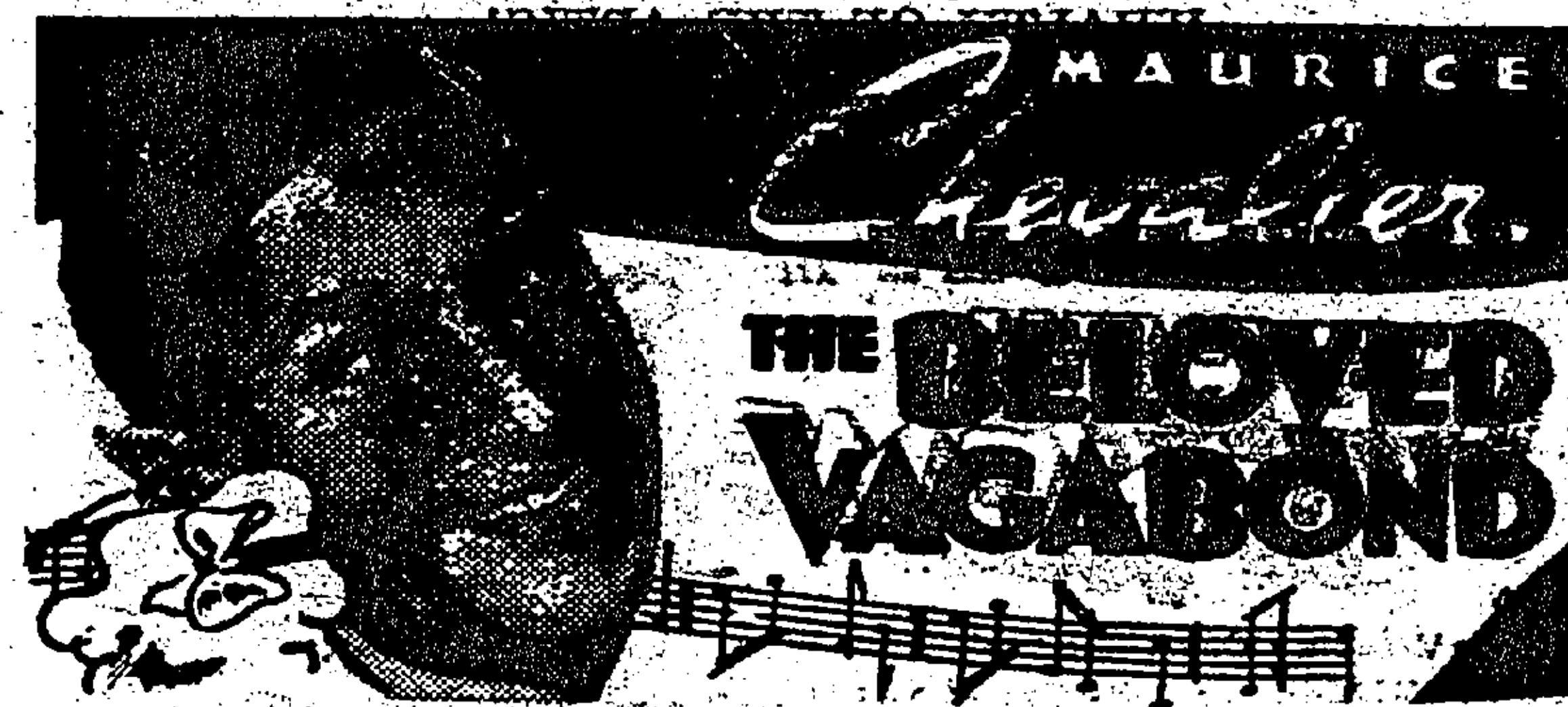
I am grateful for your kind congratulations and trust that the new service will be of great benefit to China and the world.

the written consent of the parents.

The adoption does not modify the property and income agreement which is in force at present, under which the child's income is divided between himself and his family.

QUEEN'S

FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY
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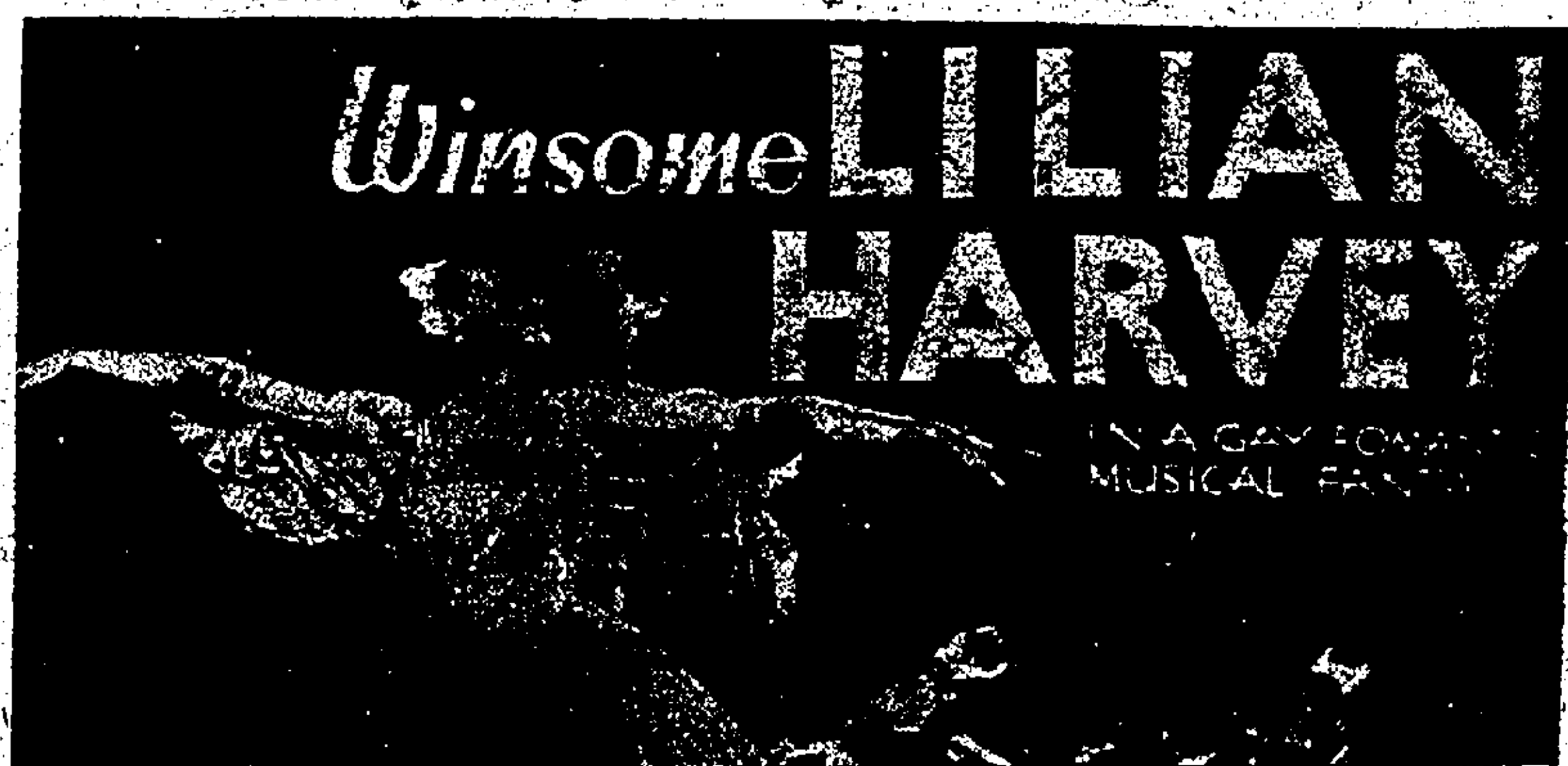
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London Bus Strike At Midnight

Solution Prospects Dwindle

London, To-day.

A strike by London busmen to-night is now practically inevitable as a consequence of breakdown in the negotiations between the men and the London Passenger Transport Board last night.

WITH THE CRITICAL NEGOTIATIONS TO AVERT THE LONDON STRIKE GOING ON THROUGHOUT YESTERDAY, THE COUNTRY IS ALSO FACED WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF A SIMULTANEOUS STRIKE OF MANY THOUSANDS OF BUSMEN IN THE HOME COUNTIES.

A CONFERENCE HELD AT CHELMSFORD, IN ESSEX, YESTERDAY DECIDED TO SUPPORT THE MEN NOW ON STRIKE AND TO CEASE WORK AT MIDNIGHT TO-NIGHT.

THE LONDON STRIKE IS DUE TO START AT THE SAME TIME UNLESS THE MEN'S DEMANDS ARE MET, WHICH DOES NOT SEEM POSSIBLE FOLLOWING LAST NIGHT'S BREAKDOWN IN THE CONFERENCE.

If the demands are met, however, the busmen in the Home Counties will also approach the Transport Union with the demand that the present Home Counties' strike be recognised officially and a conference called for the purpose of securing a national bus stoppage.

With only 24 hours remaining before the decision of the London busmen becomes operative, the men's leaders were again summoned to the Ministry of Labour following a two-hour conference between Mr. Leggett, the Government mediator, and Lord Ashfield and his colleagues on the London Passenger Transport Board.

The two parties in the dispute had not met since the Ministry intervened but separate talks by yesterday had lasted a total of 21 hours, and the men expressed their determination to cease work to-day unless their demands were met, and the position is regarded as critical.

The Board's buses carry 5,000,000 passengers every week, and there are about 5,000 buses on the streets.—Reuter.

STILL HOPING

So far as is publicly known, the Transport Union maintains its demand for seven and half hours a day and the London Transport Board while prepared to refer the issue to public enquiry or to arbitration, has not modified its position that the demand cannot be met out of its finances. It is still hoped that a compromise may be found.

COAL STRIKE THREATS

The Mines Department was also engaged to-day in final conciliation with a view to bringing about an agreement between the Mine-workers' Federation, the final delegates' conference of which is due to meet to-morrow to consider action on the recent ballot of the coalfields which by 444,546 votes to 61,446 authorised a strike to secure recognition of the Federation in Nottinghamshire, and the owners of Harworth Colliery who refuse to negotiate with a local union affiliated to the Federation.

NATIONAL WALKOUT?

A National Strike on May 14th is mentioned in some quarters as a possibility but the general feeling is more optimistic and expects a settlement.

The Prime Minister questioned in the Commons to-day on the position

GANDHI AND NEHRU IN CONFLICT

MAHATMA URGES
CAUTION

PANDIT IN MOOD
MILITANT

Allahabad, To-day.

The working committee of the Congress Party, before concluding its four-day session here, passed a resolution disapproving the appointment of interim ministries in the provinces.

The committee also expressed the opinion that acceptance of ministerial office by those not in majority was a disservice to the country.

The discussions were devoted to future plans for evolution of a uniform policy in the provinces to meet the contingencies of the next few months.

Considerable divergencies were revealed during the session between Mahatma Gandhi and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. Gandhi advised caution and gradual progress, while Pandit Nehru urged an extremely militant programme.—Reuter.

HITLER'S BODY GUARDS

On Same Footing As
German Army

Berlin, To-day.

By a decree signed by Herr Hitler yesterday, the Black Bodyguards and the Fuehrer's own Black Life Guards are placed on the same footing as the Army.

This has been done for the purpose of quelling civil disturbances, the Guards being entitled to use arms.

Hand grenades and dynamite, says the decree, may be used if absolutely necessary.—Reuter.

said he was satisfied that everything possible was being done to find a solution of a very difficult problem.—British Wireless.

Open Singles Tennis Championship

To-day's Wireless

Violincello Recital By Hilda Arnold

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Variety.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—The Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra Conducted by Leopold Otkowski.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Concert Items.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—French Music.
Violin Solo—
La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin (Debussy, arr. Hartmann).
Yehudi Menuhin.
Songs—
Aupres de ma Blonde (Chant populaire de l'Île-de-France).
Le p'tit Quinquin (Dearousseaux).
Jean Gorbier.
Vocal—
G'est le Mai.
Yvette Guilbert (Diseuse).
Pianoforte Solo—
Jardins sous la pluie (Debussy).
Mark Hambourg.
Songs—
Clair de Lune (Paul Verlaine and Gabriel Faure).
Lied (Catulle Mendès and E. Chabrier).
Mae. J. Batheri (Mezzo-Soprano).
Songs—
Reviens Chérie (Cyrleroy).
Colosella (Fiarras).
Tino Rossi (Tenor).

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7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—Eat Gonella and His Georgians.
Fox-Trot—
Sugar Rose.
Sing me a swing song.
Slow Fox-Trot—
Lazy Rhythm.
Quick-Step—
How'm I doin'?
Fox-Trot—
Jealous.
Slow Fox-Trot—
Sophisticated Lady.
Fox-Trot—
Some of these days.
After you've gone.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—A Recital by Malcolm McHachern (Bass).
The Witch of Bowden (Ogilvie and Smith).
Danny Deever (Dampresch).
Speed! (Flotsam and Jetsam).
8.15 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Violoncello Recital by Hilda Arnold.
Sonata in G Minor.
J. B. Locillet.
Largo—Allegro—Poco allegro—Adagio—Allegro.
8.30 p.m.—Alfredo Gampoli and His Orchestra.
The Knave of Diamonds (Steele).
Love in Idleness—Serenata (Mac-

Beth).
Penny in the slot (Ashworth, arr. Hope).
Your heart called mine (Edgar—Lewinnek—Hayon).
Vienna in Springtime (Leon—Pelosi).
8.45 p.m.—"La Traviata" (Verdi—Prelude, Act I, Played by Toscanini and the New York Philadelphia Orchestra).
8.50 p.m.—From the Studio.
The Eighth of a Second Series of Gramophone Recitals by the Rev. C. B. R. Sargent.
9.30 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—The J. H. Squire Caliste Octet.
Valse Bluettes—Air de Ballet (Drigo).
Andante Cantabile (Tchaikowsky, arr. Willoughby).
Memories of Chopin (arr. Willoughby).
10.15 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
Variety and Dance Music.
Orchestra—
Sweet Memories.
Romantic Waltz Medley.
Eddie Carroll and His Music.
Fox-Trot—
When a Lady meets a Gentleman down South.
Teddy Foster and His Kings of Swing.
Vocal—
Clavelito Del Cenil,

Raquel Keller.
Fox-Trot—
To Mary, with love,
Al Donahue & His Orchestra.
To you, Sweetheart,
Henry King and His Orchestra.
Banjo Solo—
Medley Tarrant Bailey.
Vocal—
Melodrama of the Mice,
Flotsam and Jetsam.
Fox-Trots—
Taking through my heart,
You come to my rescue,
Henry King and His Orchestra.
Orchestra—
Smoke gets in your eyes,
Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.
Vocal—
If I should lose you,
Turner Layton.
Waltz—
Give me your hand,
The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
11 p.m.—Close down.
1.30-5.45 p.m. (approx.)—Additional European programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles, and on Z.B.W. on a frequency of 31.49 metres (9.52 M.C.S.).
A running commentary by Frank V. Read on the Finals of the Open Singles Tennis Championship of the Colony, between H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn to be played on the Stand Court of the Hong Kong Cricket Club. (By courtesy of the Committee of the Hong Kong Cricket Club).

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Pussyfooting

"Pussyfooting" is no more effective at the contract table, I am glad to say, than at any other of the delights dear to man. War, love, and contract bridge have at least one thing in common: half measures are worse than none at all!

Confining our attention to contract, the most glaring examples of the aforesaid half measures are encountered in preemptive bidding. Let us compare the respective merits of three and four spade opening bids. The difference is much greater than it appears. Consider the following hand.

North, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S-6 4
H-J 9 4
D-K 6 5 3
C-K 7 6 3
WEST
S-9
H-A K 10 6 5 2
D-A 7 4
C-A 8 2
EAST
S-A 3
H-Q 8 7 3
D-Q J 10 2
C-10 5 4
SOUTH
S-K Q J 10 8 7 5 2
H-None
D-9 8
C-Q J 9

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	3 spades	4 hearts
Pass	Pass	4 spades	Pass
Pass	5 hearts	5 spades	Double
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

South probably was proud of his own daring when he burst forth with his bid for nine tricks. He should not have been! The bid actually was "one-trick-cowardly," to coin a descriptive phrase. A study of the West hand will prove how effective a four spade bid [the correct call on South's probable eight playing tricks] would have been. Even over three spades West had to take a good deep breath and cross his fingers before he could bring out his four heart overcall. Certainly he could not have stretched another inch, and the only action he could have taken over four

spades would have been a double. Although such a double would be of an "optional" nature. East unquestionably would pass to it, since his only certain trick was in the spade suit itself. But after he had heard the vulnerable four heart bid, and after South [now spurred by desperation] had rebid his spades, it did not require much courage for East to raise to five hearts. Now South, who had tried penuriously to buy the contract for three odd, found himself in the position of having to pay an exorbitant price or lose out entirely. There is a close analogy in this situation to all other bargains: when a purchaser refuses to buy at what he should know to be a fair and just price, it serves him right if the market gets away from him.

The loss to South was a great deal more than the one trick set that he had to pay, because four spades would have been a laydown against any defence. Also, as can be seen, five hearts would have been made against any opening except the double dummy lead of a club by North.

On the normal spade opening West would draw trumps and knock out the king of diamonds, thus losing only one diamond and one club. So South's sacrifice of five spades actually was necessary, but it would not have been so if he had started the bidding correctly in the first place!

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: The bidding, with both sides vulnerable, was:

North	East	South	West
1 no trump	2 spades	Pass	Pass
Double	3 diam.	Pass	3 spades
Double	Pass	Pass	Pass

My hand [South] was this mess:

S-6 4
H-J 7 4
D-J 6 3 2
C-8 6 5 3

What should I have led?

Answer: The six of trumps to prevent a possible crossruff.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"Craig's Wife" with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"The Beloved Vagabond" with Maurice Chevalier, Betty Stockfield, Margaret Lockwood, and Austin Trevor. A continental comedy drama based on the famous novel by W. J. Locke in which Chevalier sings a number of gay French tunes especially composed for the picture.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"The Devil Is A Sissy" with Freddie Bartholomew, Jack Cooper, Mickey Rooney and Ian Hunter. A startlingly new theme, brilliantly handled. The boys are outstanding. Not to be missed.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Adventure In Manhattan" with Jean Arthur and Joel McCrea. A tantalising tale of two lovers loose in mildly mad Manhattan and concern a crime novel author and a Broadway star who unwittingly involve each other in a series of daring robberies of valuable art treasures.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"North Of Nome" with Jack Holt, Evelyn Venable, Guinn Williams and John Miljan. The story deals with a seal-poacher stranded on an island with the director of the company which owns the island, his daughter and the wealthy suitor.

AT THE STAR—"Invitation To The Waltz" with Lillian Harvey, and Anton Dolin. A romantic film, the period of

which is the early nineteenth century during the Napoleonic wars. Lillian Harvey plays the part of a Drury Lane ballet dancer who, through a series of unexpected events, finds herself in a foreign country as the favourite of the Duke of Wurtemberg.

COMING PICTURES

"Green Pastures," the most talked about film for several years. Banned in England and then permitted to be shown, it has since passed the Censor in China and Hong Kong. Coming to the King's.

"Banjo on My Knee"—With Barbara Stanwyck, Joel McCrea, Helen Westley, Buddy Ebsen, Walter Catlett, Katherine de Mille and Anthony Martin. A thrill musical, depicting the tragi-comedy that is the life story of the river-boat people on the Mississippi. Coming to the Queen's.

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

"Mama Steps Out"—A girl whom her mother hopes will marry a cultured foreigner elopes with an American crooner. Starring Stanley Morner and Betty Furness. Coming to the King's.

"After The Thin Man"—with Miss Myrna Loy as Nora Charles, epitome of the sophisticated modern wife who assists her famous husband William Powell in ferreting out crimes against a San Francisco background. Coming to the King's.



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CONFLICTING CLAIMS ON BASQUE FRONT

Germany And Air Bombing

Berlin, To-day.

The question of international opinion on the question of air raids on civilian populations is discussed by the "Diplomatische-Korrespondenz" following the allegation that German planes were responsible for the total destruction of Guernica.

No country regrets more than Germany, says the paper, which invariably reflects official opinion, the methods of warfare in use to-day.

Although they are effective from a military viewpoint, they subject the civil population to "extreme danger."

NATIONS RESIGNED!

Protective measures against air attacks, which are going on in every country in the world, indicate, however, that the nations have resigned themselves to this danger and are preparing for it.

The journal recalls the request of Herr Hitler in May, 1935, that an international agreement be drawn up characterising the bombing of cities as "inhuman barbarity," and prohibiting such practice.

The paper then raises the old question of British bombing of the villages of revolting tribes in India and elsewhere.—Trans-Ocean.

LORD'S ASSURANCE

London, To-day.

Lord Plymouth, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, repeated in the Lords last night, replying to a debate raised by Lord Cecil, on the bombing of Guernica, the regret expressed yesterday in the Commons by the Foreign Secretary at the bombardment of a civilian population by aircraft engaged on both sides of the civil war in Spain.

He also reiterated Mr Eden's assurance of the desire of His Majesty's Government to see an agreement between combatants which would prevent the recurrence of such deplorable events.—British Wireless.

OFFICIALS LEAVE CANTON

Government Changes In Contemplation?

Following the departure of Messrs. Wang Ying-yu and Tseng Yang-fu, Commissioner of Civil Affairs and Mayor of Canton, for Nanking, Mr. Liu Wei-chi, Commissioner of Reconstruction, has also left for Hong Kong en route to Nanking. He is sailing in the Empress of Asia.

Semi-official reports state that Mr. Wu Te-chen, the Governor, intends to reorganize the Provincial Government and whether these Kwangtung officials will return to Canton or not will be known until after they have discussed matters in Nanking.

It is stated that Mr. Wu himself may also go to Nanking to consult on the matter with the Central authorities.—Our Own Correspondent.

U.S. NEUTRALITY BILL

Rushed To Gulf For Signature

RACE AGAINST TIME

Washington, To-day.

In a dramatic race against time, the House of Representatives and the Senate yesterday passed the compromise Neutrality Bill.

The Bill passed the House of Representatives in under an hour, after having been worked out in a series of conferences between the leaders of both Houses.

After the Senate had passed the measure it was rushed by aeroplane to the Gulf of Mexico, where President Roosevelt is on a fishing-trip on board a destroyer.

The Chief Executive must sign the Bill before midnight on Saturday in order to avoid a gap between expiration of the old legislation, during which it would be legal to export arms and grant financial aid to the factions in the Spanish civil war.—Reuter.

VALUE FOR BAIL!

Hawker Steals From Charge Room

"He was probably trying to get value for his bail," said Sergeant Dewar in a case in which Li Leung, unlicensed hawker, was charged with the theft of a quantity of sugar cane from the Police charge-room.

Defendant had been released on \$1 bail for hawking without licence, and, on leaving the charge room, took the bundle of sugar cane which was near. At the Central Magistracy this morning Mr. K. Keen fined defendant \$1 on the hawking charge and bound him over in a sum of \$25 on the second charge.

STABBED BY FLAT BURGLAR

Early Morning Incident

Fung Sui, aged 26, living at No. 296 Lockhart Road, is in the G.C.H. as the result of a clash with a burglar.

In a report to the Police, he stated that yesterday morning someone entered his flat while he was asleep.

He heard the intruder and jumped out of bed. The man produced a knife and stabbed him on the shoulder, making good his escape.

Mr. H. Ruecker, of No. 3, Shouson Hill Road, was summoned before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy with driving car No. 3906 at a speed of 36 miles an hour in Hennessy Road on April 19. Mr. A. E. O. Marton appeared for the defendant and pleaded not guilty. The case was adjourned till May 11.

While driving in Queen's Road Central yesterday, Dr. Shin knocked down a lad of 15, who was admitted to the G.C.H.

Rebel Enter Ruins Of Ancient Capital

San Sebastian, To-day.

General Franco's forces have occupied the historic Basque city of Guernica, says an official communique.

MANY REPUBLICAN MILITIAMEN WERE TAKEN PRISONER IN THE ENCIRCLING MOVEMENT WHICH RESULTED IN CAPTURE OF THE TOWN, WHICH IS IN RUINS.

REBEL HEADQUARTERS CLAIM TO HAVE CAPTURED 25 GUNS, 75 MACHINE-GUNS, 3,000 RIFLES AND THOUSANDS OF HAND-GRENADES.

THE ADVANCING REBELS FOUND A LARGE NUMBER OF "BOOBY TRAPS" SET FOR THEM IN HOUSES, WHICH HAD BEEN MINED.

From St. Jean de Luz it is reported that President Aguirre yesterday broadcast an appeal to the nations of the world in which the Basque leader referred to the killing of countless women and children in the rebel air raid on Guernica.

"The civilised world should not permit repetition of such actions," he said.—Trans-Ocean.

REBEL LOSSES

Valencia, To-day.

It is claimed that over 500 dead were left on the battlefield by the insurgents when their infantry, composed of members of the Spanish Foreign Legion, attempted to advance against the positions dominating the main road and railway from Teruel to Saragossa yesterday.

Official circles declare that Durango is still in Basque hands.—Reuter.

BLOCKADE RUNNERS

London, To-day.

Four British freighters arrived at Bilbao yesterday morning, according to press reports from Spain.

The ships had left St. Jean de Luz on Wednesday loaded with foodstuffs and passed through the insurgent blockade without incident.

They were escorted to the three-mile limit by the battleship H.M.S. Royal Oak.

EVACUATION PLEA

Meanwhile, says a message from Paris, the Valencia Government's Minister of Commerce, Senor Agner, who is on a visit to the French capital, yesterday made an appeal to Britain and France through foreign newspaper correspondents to place their warships at the disposal of the Basque Government.

The warships, he said, could escort Basque ships which would evacuate the 150,000 women, children and old men who are still in the besieged town.

The Minister added that the large number of non-combatants were hindering the operations of the Basque troops.—Trans-Ocean.

Galdacano Bombed

Bilbao, To-day.

Twenty-two bombers, alleged to be German, accompanied by six chaser planes, raided Galdacano yesterday afternoon, dropping high explosive and incendiary bombs. Twelve houses were ignited and destroyed. The woods around the town were also set on fire in several places. The chasers machine-gunned the inhabitants, including women and children, as they fled from the inferno.—Reuter.

TITULESCU'S PARIS ACTIVITIES

Linked With New Italian Diplomacy

Paris, To-day.

The former Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Titulescu, who is visiting Paris, was received by President Albert Lebrun yesterday.

The reception, it is stated, was merely an "act of courtesy" and had no political significance.

M. Titulescu, however, has had several talks with members of the Cabinet, and some quarters believe that his visit to the French capital is connected with the new political "line up" in Europe, especially with Italian efforts to spread the influence of Fascism in Central Europe.—Trans-Ocean.

STOLE A STATUE

A fine of \$200 or three months' imprisonment was imposed on Chan Ho, a painter, who pleaded guilty before Mr. W. Schofield to the theft of a bronze statue valued at \$25 from "Overbays", the residence of Surgeon Commander R. B. McVicker.

For wasting water by allowing it to run from a street fountain to the side channel, while he was washing clothes, Leung Yee, a coolie, was fined \$5 or 10 days by Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning.

THREE BYE-ELECTION RESULTS

Labour Gains One Seat: No Changes In Other Two

Steady Growth Of Socialist Vote

London, To-day.

The National Government yesterday retained the seats of Birmingham West and Stalybridge but lost Wandsworth Central to Labour in three bye-elections.

AT BIRMINGHAM WEST, THE SEAT BEING RENDERED VACANT BY THE DEATH OF SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN, MR. HOGGS (CON.) OBTAINED A MAJORITY OF 2,920 OVER HIS LABOUR OPPONENT, COMPARED WITH THE LATE SIR AUSTEN'S MAJORITY OF 7,371 AT THE GENERAL ELECTION.

AT STALYBRIDGE, MR. TREVOR COX (CON.) FOUGHT A NARROW CONTEST WITH THE LABOUR CANDIDATE, WINNING BY THE SMALL MARGIN OF 334. AT THE GENERAL ELECTION, MR. PHILIP DUNNE, WHO HAS RESIGNED OWING TO ILL HEALTH, THE CONSERVATIVE MAJORITY WAS 5,073.

Wandsworth Central was a Labour gain. At the General Election the Conservative candidate, Sir Henry Jackson, whose death rendered the bye-election necessary, had a majority of 4,323.

Yesterday Labour turned this deficit into a gain of 485 over the Conservative candidate.

Voting was as follows:

BIRMINGHAM WEST

Mr. Hoggs (Con)	12,552
Mr. Crossman (Lab)	9,632
Conservative majority ..	2,920
No change.	
Labour Vote up	500
Conservative vote down ..	4,000

STALYBRIDGE

Mr. Trevor Cox (Nat. Con) ..	21,901
Rev. Gordon Lang (Lab) ..	21,567
Nat. Conservative majority ..	334
No change.	
Labour vote up	1,000
Conservative vote down ..	3,500

WANDSWORTH CENTRAL

Major H. L. Nathan (Lab) ..	12,406
Mr. Roland Jennings (Con) ..	11,921
Labour majority	485
Labour gain.	
Labour vote up	2,000
Conservative vote down ..	2,700

Reuter.

PACKARD WORKS ELECTION

Union To Represent Employees

Detroit, To-day.

The Union of Automobile Workers has won the right to represent all the Packard Motor Company's employees, including non-union members, by a vote of over four to one in an election conducted by the National Labour Relations Board.

It was the first election held in a motor-car factory since enactment of the Wagner Act, which, inter alia, provides for this medium for determining sole bargaining rights. —Reuter.

Montreux Brightens

FRENCH DELEGATE RETURNS

Montreux, To-day.

The atmosphere of the capitulations conference has perceptibly brightened upon the return of the French delegate, M. Detassan, and the conference he had with the Egyptian Finance Minister.

It is announced that complete agreement has reached on all outstanding points, the details of which will be communicated to the conference to-day enable the latter to conclude the drafting of the general convention and judicial reorganisation. In the meantime, the Egyptian delegates have agreed to insertion of a clause in the final pact promising sympathetic consideration of claims of judges, lawyers and officials of the Mixed Courts when they retired. —Reuter.

NORMAN HAPGOOD PASSES AWAY

Noted American Journalist

New York, To-day.

The death has occurred at the age of 69 of Norman Hapgood, the well-known American editor and author.

The late Mr. Hapgood had been editor of Collier's Weekly, Harper's Weekly and Hearst's International Magazine.

Among his publications were volumes on literary statesmen, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. —Reuter.

Mongol-Manchu Conference

Moscow, To-day.

Agreement is understood to have been reached to resume the Mongol-Manchu conference at Manchuli on May 15. —Reuter.

Sunken Ferry Shifted

Early salvage of the ferry "Night Star" sunk alongside wharf a fortnight ago, loomed last night when, after more than ten days of effort, the vessel was lifted out of the mud in which she had settled and moved out to a position where completion of the salvage task will be simplified.

FIVE R.A.F. MEN KILLED

BOMBERS COLLIDE IN MID-AIR

London, To-day.

Five Royal Air Force men were killed yesterday when two R.A.F. bombers collided in mid-air.

The accident occurred while three machines were flying in formation near Methwold, on the Norfolk-Suffolk border.

The propeller of one plane caught the tail of the leading machine, and both machines fell to earth, one of them bursting into flames.

The other plane fell partly into the River Whiffey. —Reuter.

Ko Wai, a married woman, residing at No. 35b, Wellington Street, attempted to end her life yesterday by jumping from the second floor. She was admitted to G.C.H. in a serious condition.

HUGE BLAZE IN MANILA

Manila, To-day.

No casualties were suffered in last night's fire, which broke out in the Escolta, Manila's main street, and thrilled hundreds of cinema goers who were leaving the theatres.

The damage done was considerable, however, and is estimated at 500,000 pesos.

A number of the best-known shops and stores in the down-town district were gutted. —Reuter.

BELGIUM FOR BELGIANS

Guiding Own Policy In Future

SPAARK STATEMENT

Brussels, To-day.

"Belgian policy will be purely Belgian in future," declared the Foreign Minister, M. Spaak, in the Chamber yesterday.

Belgium, he said, had no interests outside her frontiers and would not participate in a future war unless her own frontiers were violated.

The Franco-British declaration releasing Belgium from her Locarno obligations rendered General Staff talks superfluous.

Defence of the country was a purely technical question which Belgium would solve independently of foreign aid. —Trans-Ocean.

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Cleaning Furniture

To remove dirt, grease, and stains of any kind from furniture use a mixture of methylated spirits, vinegar, and paraffin in equal proportions. When dusting furnitures use a duster which has been soaked in paraffin and allowed to dry for three days. Another method is to dip a washleather in warm water to which has been added sufficient vinegar to give it an aromatic smell. Then wring out the washleather till nearly dry and rub the article well. This will remove all ordinary marks and leave an excellent polish on the furniture.

To remove white marks on mahogany caused by hot plates, rub well with a piece of flannel dipped in linseed oil. Then polish with a soft duster. Where there are any scratches on the furniture, rub half of a Brazil nut into the damaged parts, and the oil which the nut contains will bring up the surface to its normal level.

Clothes

Clothes matter such a lot, don't they? Not only do they affect your looks, but how you feel.

Nothing is so devastating as wearing the wrong thing at a party, and yet, to be fashionably dressed all the time means a strain on your pocket.

However, this is where a little experience in designing your own clothes is such a very great economy and help. And it is not hard to acquire. I now do a lot of the designing for my stage and film work, but I began very humbly—on my dolls!

Ten In Family!

It seemed so dull to see them always in the same old things. I felt that my family—for I had ten of them—must be dressed suitably for the time of year and for their various social engagements.

They were such a success when they came out to tea with me that I soon found I was getting demands for dolls' clothes from all my friends.

Then when I was sixteen I had a very special date with a boy friend and—tragedy—no new dress to wear and no money. There was only one hope, to make my own model. I tried the design out on one of my old dolls, and then cut boldly into my material, without any preliminary of a paper pattern. It certainly was do or die, for I knew that I could get no more material.

The boy friend was impressed, and I felt encouraged to go on with my dressmaking.

Points To Remember

In starting to design, there are several points that I've found it's helpful to remember.

First, never follow fashion blindly just because it happens to be fashion. It is possible to look really elegant if you are wearing something that does not suit you.

Next important point for the amateur designer is simplicity. There should be one big reason for a dress, and all the detail must be subordinated to it.

For example, if you make a dark dress with a vividly embroidered belt, let the belt be its only ornament, and see that you have a plain neckline. It is easy, when you first start, to take your ideas from several designs you have liked, and piece together—a mess!

Try On Frequently

When I am making my own designs, I tack the whole garment together and try it on again and again—altering and adapting till I can be sure that it is exactly as I want it. Then, and not till then, do I sew it together.

Also, as soon as I have finished

Picnic Reminder

Don't forget to grate your cheese and mince your meat and flake your fish before spreading for sandwiches. They will go ever so much further this way, besides this method being quicker. The same thing applies to bananas when mashed with a fork instead of being sliced.

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Speaking of sandwiches, remember to dip the knife into hot water frequently when cutting newish bread if you want your slices thin. Another dodge is to cut a tin or sandwich loaf across lengthways instead of in the usual way. This is a lightning time-saver.

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After well washing greenstuff, such as lettuce or watercress, wrap it in a clean, damp cloth. It will then be fresh on arrival.

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And whatever you do, don't forget the matches and the tin-opener!

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As the weather is likely to be rather fresh, don't forget a drink of hot coffee, soup or tea will be welcome when you sit down to your meal.

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Open a tin of soup, make it thoroughly hot and pour into vacuum flasks and your drink will be ready whenever and wherever you need it.

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Finally, don't forget to wear stout shoes, a sensible dress or suit, and take your raincoat.

any seam, I press it with a damp cloth. Pressing is important if you want to give clothes a professional look.

Once you thoroughly understand your type and what suits you, you will find that you can adapt ready-made clothes and give them an originality and a chic of your own.



Here is the glamorous Margo wearing one of the most flattering dinner dresses to be seen in Hollywood for some time. The dress itself is of black crepe while the sleeves and back are white chiffon heavily beaded. The gown is slashed to the waist in back with three slits.

Ways with Wild Flowers

Wild flowers are a joy, but it is very sad to see them strewn on the ground to die. Some people pick a large basketful only to find when they get home they are too tired to arrange them.

I always take with me a ball of green wool. I arrange bunches of the flowers with their leaves and an ivy leaf or two, with the stems level at the bottom and the heads uneven as if they were in a bowl. I tie them firmly, and so, when I get home, I have nothing to do but put a little moss in a shallow bowl and stick my bunches in just as they are. They make a lovely decoration.

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FIRST AIR PASSENGERS FOR HONGKONG

HAWAII CLIPPER SETS OUT

San Francisco, To-day.
The first passengers to fly from the United States over the Pacific with Hong Kong as their destination left Alameda Airport to-day in the Pan-American Airways liner, Hawaii Clipper.

Thus, within a week of the outset of the first airmail, a passenger service has been inaugurated.

The British Consul, Mr. Cyril Cane, the Chinese Consul, Mr. Quong, and Alameda's Mayor, Mr. Henry Wycart, participated in the goodwill ceremony.

Mr. Wycart presented Mr. Cane with a scroll addressed to the Governor of Hong Kong bearing American felicitations.

The Hawaii Clipper is flying with a full passenger list and most of them have booked a return journey.—Reuter.

ATLANTIC AIR SERVICE

Land Aerodrome For Azores?

Lisbon, To-day.
Signature of the agreement between Portugal and Imperial Airways and Pan-American Airways has stimulated Portuguese efforts to obtain a land aerodrome in the Azores.

The agreement granted the British and American companies use of the islands as a base in the projected trans-Atlantic service.

A petition has been presented to the Lisbon Premier by the Azores Trade Association pointing out the economic advantages to the island group which would result from construction of a land aerodrome.

Although the Anglo-American service will be run by flyingboats, several other foreign companies, notably Air France, intend using land planes if they inaugurate a trans-Atlantic route.—Trans-Ocean.

JAVA-AUSTRALIA AIR LINE

Netherlands Company To Extend

Sydney, To-day.
The Australian Government has granted the Netherlands Indies Air Company, a subsidiary of Royal Dutch Air Lines, permission to establish a service between Java and Australia.

It is understood the arrangement begins this year with a service of two planes weekly.—Reuter.

NEPAL MISSION IN LONDON

Highest Order Conferred On King

London, To-day.
A special Mission from Nepal went to Buckingham Palace yesterday morning and Sir Kaiser Shumshere Jung Bahadur Rana, leader of the Mission, presented to the

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENCES

"VODKA" WANTED IN KOWLOON

MR. A. OGILVIE REFUSED

An application for a publican's licence without bar by Alexander Ogilvie, for the Adelphi Cafe, 326 Hennessey Road, ground floor, was rejected by the Licensing Board this morning.

Mr. Peter Sin, who appeared on behalf of Mr. Ogilvie, stated that there was no place in Wanchai where drinks could be obtained outside regulation meal hours apart from the China Fleet Club, which was situated some two miles from his premises. Mr. Ogilvie, continued Mr. Sin, had been a resident of the Colony for many years and for some time had managed the Airlie Hotel, which had closed owing to the business depression, and the fact that the lease had expired. There was no European holding a licence in Wanchai and his restaurants would be ideally situated for the convenience of spectators at football matches, who now have to go all the way to town to get a drink.

Mr. Ogilvie had invested his life-savings in the enterprise and had gone to a great deal of expense in having the premises nicely fitted up.

After due consideration, the Board decided that as objections had been raised by the Police and Naval and Military authorities, the application should be rejected.

KOWLOON RESTAURANT
Andrew Peter Tkachenko of the Tkachenko Restaurant, 3 Hankow Road, was granted a restaurant adjunct licence.

It was stated that this business had carried on successfully for some time as a restaurant and bakery and although no licence to sell liquor was held, it had been able to compete with the many other eating houses in the vicinity. The Russian community were the chief patrons and many requests had been made for vodka, which, of course, they had been unable to supply.

The licence was granted until the next meeting of the Board next November and the applicant was informed that provided no complaints were received during this period, there was every possibility that it would be renewed.

APPLICATION POSTPONED
Owing to the fact that the Police had heard unofficially that the military authorities at Sham Shui Po would, in the event of an adjunct licence being issued, place the shop out of bounds, the application of Luiz Antonio Vieira Ribeiro, of the Jubilee Tea Room was postponed until definite information could be obtained on this point.

The teashop is situated within a few yards of the Camp and caters to a very large extent, to the troops.

King, the insignia of the Order of Ajunya, the highest Nepalese Order, instituted for presentation to the Royalty only.—British Wireless.

140 Ships Building On Clyde

London, To-day.
New orders valued at £18,000,000 have been secured by Clydeside ship builders during April. This is the highest total of any month since the War. In addition to about forty warships, the Clyde now has 140 ships on order, estimated at 500,000 tons.—Reuter.

POST OFFICE AND CORONATION

ELABORATE AIDS FOR RELAYS

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London, To-day.
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Commentators who are engaged in these broadcasts will speak in the language of the country to which they are broadcasting.

The Post Office is arranging special lines for them and ten observation boxes have been made available overlooking the entrance to Westminster Abbey and four in Green Park, connected by Post Office lines to a specially constructed control room in the Middlesex Guild Hall.

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The Coronation Service in the Abbey will be picked up and transmitted over these special circuits.—British Wireless.

WORLD'S TRADE BARRIERS

Belgian Expert's Call On Dr. Schacht

Berlin, To-day.
The Belgian financial expert, M. Maurice Frere, who is in Berlin with the object of conferring with leading German economists and politicians, yesterday had a long conversation with the President of the Reichsbank, Dr. Hjalmar Schacht.

Strict silence is being maintained in connexion with the conversation, but semi-official circles state the main subject discussed was the possibility of convening an international economic conference.

M. Frere will have another meeting with Dr. Schacht to-day and will leave Berlin to-night.—Trans-Ocean.

Sabotage Trial In Moscow

TWO SENTENCED TO DEATH

Moscow, To-day.
The military collegium of the Supreme Court yesterday passed sentence of death on two accused on charges arising from a rail disaster, in which there were a number of casualties, at Krasnoyarsk, Siberia.

Other accused received long terms of imprisonment.

Great surprise has been occasioned here as it was the first intimation of the disaster, news of which was only made public yesterday.

The court stated that the two principle accused, Dmedov and Stet, together with accomplices, acted under the direct orders of Japanese intelligence agents to cause the wreck.—Reuter.

CZECH PROBLEM German Minority's Demands

Prague, To-day.
The legislation demanded by the Sudetic German Party, for bringing about "cultural autonomy" of the 3,500,000 Germans in Czechoslovakia, was discussed by the newspapers here yesterday.

Most of the papers are strongly against granting of the German minority's demands.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW OUTLINE OF ITALIAN ECONOMIC POLICY

Rome, To-day.
An outline of Italian economic policy will be given to leaders of industry by Signor Mussolini.

The policy is undergoing decisive organisation on account of the annexation of Ethiopia.—Trans-Ocean.

Count Ciano In Tirana

Rome, To-day.
The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, had another conversation with King Zog of Albania and members of the Albanian Government at Tirana yesterday. Count Ciano later visited the Italian-owned oilfields at Berat.—Trans-Ocean.

Britain's Borrowings

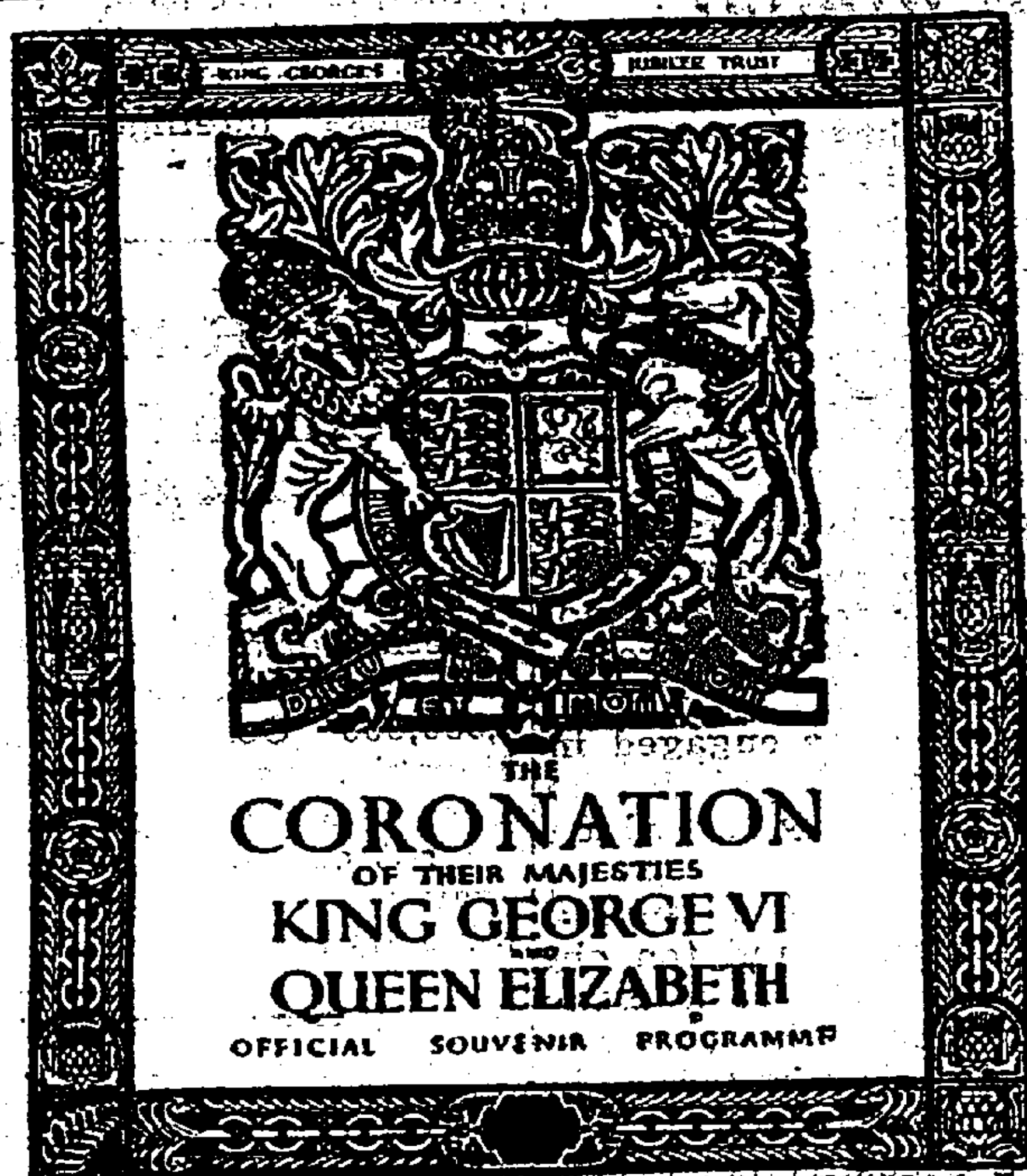
London, To-day.
During the first quarter of 1937, the Minister of Health sanctioned borrowing by local authorities of £25,820,796 for capital expenditure on municipal services.—British Wireless.

Among those who left by the Empress of Asia to-day, was Sir Robert Ho Tung, who is going to Shanghai for a short trip.

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TRUCE? — OR BUST?

With the sugar conference rapidly nearing an entirely satisfactory ending, Mr. Norman Davis will be free to carry out his true mission in Europe, which, of course, is connected with the present tension and the problem of disarmament. Mr. Davis, as it is, has spent little time at the Sugar Conference, leaving that to the competent experts who travelled with him. But he has, and still is, taking advantage of the opportunity to study the increasingly acute problem of the world's rearmament with Foreign Office officials, in the hope of finding a formula to bring it to a halt. From London Mr. Davis will proceed to Paris, for conversations with French officials, and then to Geneva, for the meeting of the steering committee of the permanent Disarmament Conference at the end of May when it is hoped that the Lansbury gesture will persuade the delegates to a more earnest study than at one time seemed either logical or worth while.

Mr. Davis's mission brings to a culmination months of intensive examination of the arms problem in America and constitutes, it is understood, the decision by President Roosevelt on the type of contribution which the United States is able to make to the search for a way out at the present time. In informed quarters it is explained that the decision has been definitely against any overt step or proposal but that this negative decision is coupled with a conviction that the situation is improving somewhat in Europe; that the United States should in its own self interest aid, if possible, in the search; and that the coming disarmament session might conceivably provide an opportunity for a "break" in the arms race.

In one quarter in the State Department it is being contended that if the United States would add two or three more battleships to the current programme calling for two new battleships to be started this year, the total of American construction plus Britain's might provide the foundation for an arms limitation conference at which other nations would be willing to reconsider existing rearmament programmes if Britain and the United States would do the same. It is not to be assumed that there is any optimism as to the prospects of bringing about an arms truce. In fact, Mr. Davis's European journey has been accompanied by increasing evidence that high Administration circles are leaning toward a new American naval construction programme which would start the

American Navy down the road to extensive expansion. Current naval construction, in which the United States has for several years been leading the world, is now approximately at its peak, and will soon begin to fall off as many ships now nearing completion join the fleet. The suggestion is that the present rate of construction should be maintained by adoption of new programmes.

The likelihood of such a development is greater now than heretofore due to the current juxtaposition of a diplomatic argument with the normal "big navy" demand, and the well-known fondness of President Roosevelt for the Navy.

Police And Firearms

Efforts are being made to provide the French police with weapons more modern and more humane than firearms. In the fatal riots at Clichy, as in the far more serious shootings of February, 1934, it was clear that Parisian police faced by a hostile crowd are dangerously apt to draw their revolvers, individually or under orders, as a natural means of self-preservation. Recently the police have given orders for a number of special tanks equipped to fire not bullets but a kind of ping-pong ball filled with sand and tear-gas; also an issue has been made of steel helmets. The extension of such means of offence and defence will not safeguard the French police against all possible occasion of drawing lethal weapons, but it may provide the confidence and the method required for that forceful persuasion which any police force may have to exercise when political tempers run high.

While our British police methods, which require neither firefirms nor tear-gas, can be enviably contrasted with conditions across the Channel, this is probably due in large measure to the fact that lethal weapons are as difficult for the civilian to come by in Britain as they are in practice easy to acquire in France. A rigorous enforcement of the control of the sale of firearms would go some way towards helping the police to dispense with such weapons. France, as Hong Kong, has to arm its police in accordance with the risks they run. But the Colony might almost be held up as an example. Rigid control of arms in the Colony has done much to eliminate the risk.

Air Raid Stamps

Hong Kong purchases of large quantities of stamps for the Pacific First Flight will be interested in the views of Major Tryon, Postmaster-General in London, who at the exhibition of air-mail stamps at Selfridge's said that "the day is not far distant when air conveyance will be accepted as a normal method of mail transport and the levying of air surcharges will gradually become a thing of the past." It was a curious thing which he pointed out — that the special air-mail stamp, which is the newest philatelic toy, will before long disappear almost completely.

Meanwhile air-mail stamps, while they last, must appeal to a wide public. Schoolboys like these stamps particularly. Adventure colours them so largely and, incidentally, seems to be important in their valuation.

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AT ST. PAUL'S, Waldenbury, there is a wood beyond the garden where a little girl dreamed of pixies peeping out from under the leaves.

Even when she grew into a big girl her love for that wood lingered with her. She was a fanciful soul, and perhaps it was thoughts of pixies in comic antics that spread such a fascinating smile across her countenance.

One Saturday in January, 1923, a young man came to spend the weekend at the girl's home.

Next morning her parents, the Earl and Countess of Strathmore, went to church.

"Are you coming?" they asked the girl and the young man.

"No, thank you," they said. . . and they went for a walk through the pixie wood instead.

There came a time when the young man, who was the King's son, murmured a few soft words. And a moment of mutual adoration ending in a long kiss.

So the Duke and Duchess of York were married . . . thirteen years ago.

Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon's smile dazzled the world and endeared her immediately to the women of every country.

She became known as The Smiling Duchess, and two beautiful girls have been the priceless gifts she has made to her husband.

The people who have waited outside their home—145, Piccadilly, London—during the past few years have talked of hoping to see The Three White Roses of York.

The Duchess is now our Queen. Her elder daughter Elizabeth is heir to the throne.

And no finer flowers of Britain's womanhood could be found to grace these pedestals.

In the last few years the influences on women in this country have been without precedence in history. Battling to gain beauty they have run to wild extravagances of fashion.

Our Queen ignored such excesses. She has never been shingled or bingled, yet she has contrived always to look surpassingly lovely.

She has devised a fashion of her own which has prompted designers from every capital in the world to whip out their pencils and scribbling pads.

Quietly and tastefully dressed, her delicate form has, through the newspapers and the cinemas, been registered in the minds of every citizen, and her delicious smile, usually over a bouquet, has never failed to set hearts thumping and voices cheering.

Those rose petal cheeks and starry eyes carry something of the enchantment she found in pixie lore when a child, and reflect that innate goodness which has made her now not merely the first but one of the best mothers in the land.

Yet she has not allowed her family to become her sole responsibility.

Aware of her importance and the great duties as the Duchess, she has devoted more of her life to public service than to herself and her loved ones.

The only time she temporarily neglected the public was on the oc-

casation of her return from Australia, when she refused the customary "slow-motion" of her car through the crowds because she was hungry to see her baby once again.

Is there any mother who could not forgive her?

She enjoys service to what are now her husband's subjects.

The stress of such parading would turn most women into mere automatons. But no element of mechanics has crept into our Queen's activities. Had it done so reaction would have set in immediately and sapped her popularity in a trice.

The greatest cynic in the world could not doubt the sincerity behind her smile. It is as spontaneous as it is frequent, as unscripted as it is famous.

An exalted General once climbed a lamp-post in the midst of a great crowd to get an uninterrupted view of it.

A private soldier, lying ill in hospital, once described it as a "refreshment."

Each time a child, all polished for the event steps shyly up to her with a bouquet she conveys the impression that she has never seen, still less expected, a gift of such lovely flowers.

The Queen is patroness and president of many organisations designed to better the happiness of Britain.

And she takes an active part in their work.

She is president of the United Nursing Services Club, which is for the benefit of nurses who tended the wounded during the Great War.

Queen Victoria once serenely observed: "Why do people make such a fuss about slums?"

Not so Queen Elizabeth.

She is one of the most vigorous



campaigners in the ranks of the Marylebone Housing Association, which maintains a constant attack upon those housing areas in London which are a disgrace to civilisation.

Cromwell House, to which the Queen is a frequent visitor, has a large number of cots for babies suffering from malnutrition.

Although she is no highbrow, the Queen is artistic.

In Victorian times the stage was looked on almost as an immoral pursuit. Queen Elizabeth is cognisant with the value of the drama to the nation's culture.

So it is with pride that she is a patroness of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art.

Once, there, after seeing a students' performance, she went on to the stage herself and gave an impromptu speech.

It was clear to the students from this that she took a lively interest in their work and was a fine constructive critic.

These modern young people were delighted with her charm and full of admiration for her views.

At her old home in Piccadilly, the touch of her hand was apparent everywhere. No brittle, ultramodern decoration greeted the eye. A sweet, restful theme ran throughout the decor.

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An airlines official is shown examining ice on the tail fin of the TWA airliner which crashed 18 miles from Pittsburgh, Pa., with a loss of 18 lives. The formation of ice on flying surfaces is believed to have forced the giant craft downward.



A scene from the controversial film "The Green Pastures," which has its first showings in Hong Kong at the King's Theatre on Sunday.

MISS WEINGREEN

RECONSTRUCTION OF SHOCKING CRIME

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Vienna, To-day.

Details of the ghastly murder of Miss Ingrid Weingreen, the beautiful 20-year-old daughter of the Paraguayan Minister, are now being cleared up by the police.

FOR 24 HOURS THEY HAVE "GRILLED" FRIEDRICH SCHLIEGEL, A 21-YEAR-OLD MILITIAMAN, WHO WALKED INTO A POLICE STATION AND GAVE HIMSELF UP ON WEDNESDAY, TOGETHER WITH AN ACCOMPLICE, FRITZ FLECK.

NO MOTIVE HAS YET BEEN DISCOVERED FOR THE CRIME.

Schliegel, it now appears, was a member of the Austrian militia quartered at the artillery barracks in Vienna, and was wearing his army uniform, cap and black service raincoat at the time of the murder.

Yesterday the police took him to the scene of the crime and the murder was re-enacted, with Schliegel in the grisly role he had fulfilled last week and a policeman taking the part of the murdered girl.

Schliegel showed how he stood in the middle of the road and called the girl to stop.

He asked Miss Weingreen to take him and his companion, Fleck, into the car.

Once inside, he drew his pistol and fired at point-blank range, wounding the victim in the shoulder.

She began to struggle and he placed the muzzle of the weapon against her temple and fired a second shot.

The pistol then jammed and had to be reloaded.

UNABLE TO START CAR

The original plan, he said, was to drive off in Miss Weingreen's car but they were unable to start it.

Hearing footsteps (those of a gendarme) they fled, but not before they fired a "mercy shot" into the unconscious body of the dying girl.

Miss Weingreen's body was cremated at the Central Cemetery in Vienna yesterday morning.

Large crowds attended the funeral, including several foreign Ministers, who placed wreaths on the grave.—Trans-Ocean.

Paris World Fair

Paris, To-day.

The official opening date of the Paris World Fair has been set for May 25.

The Exhibition will remain open until November 25.—Trans-Ocean.



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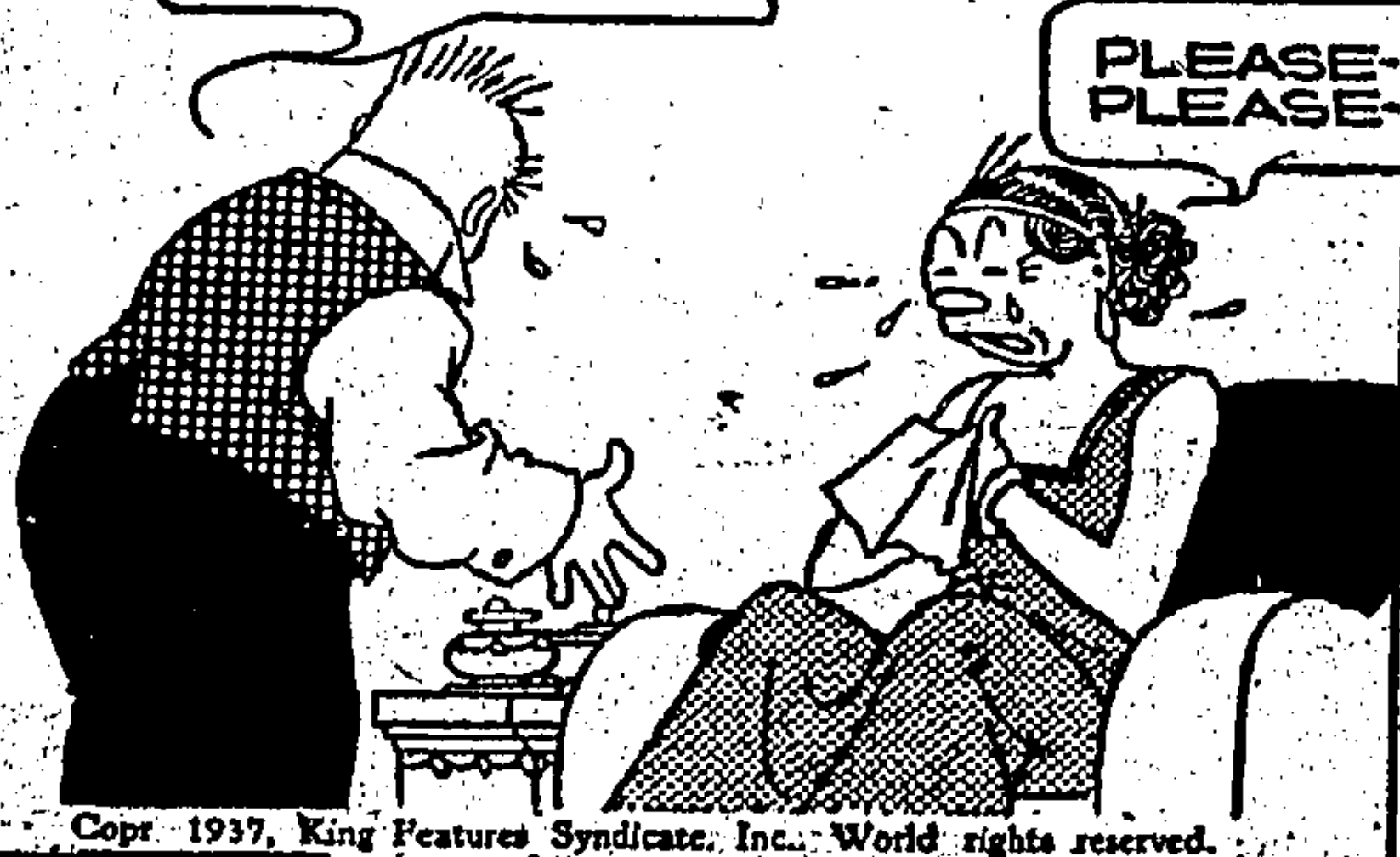
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OH, DEAR-



I CAUGHT AN AWFUL COLD FROM STANDING THERE-FAINTED IN THE SNOW-A POLICEMAN PICKED ME UP AND CARRIED ME HOME-I LAID IN BED-DELIRIOUS FOR DAYS-JUST ASKING ABOUT YOU-

BOO-HOO-

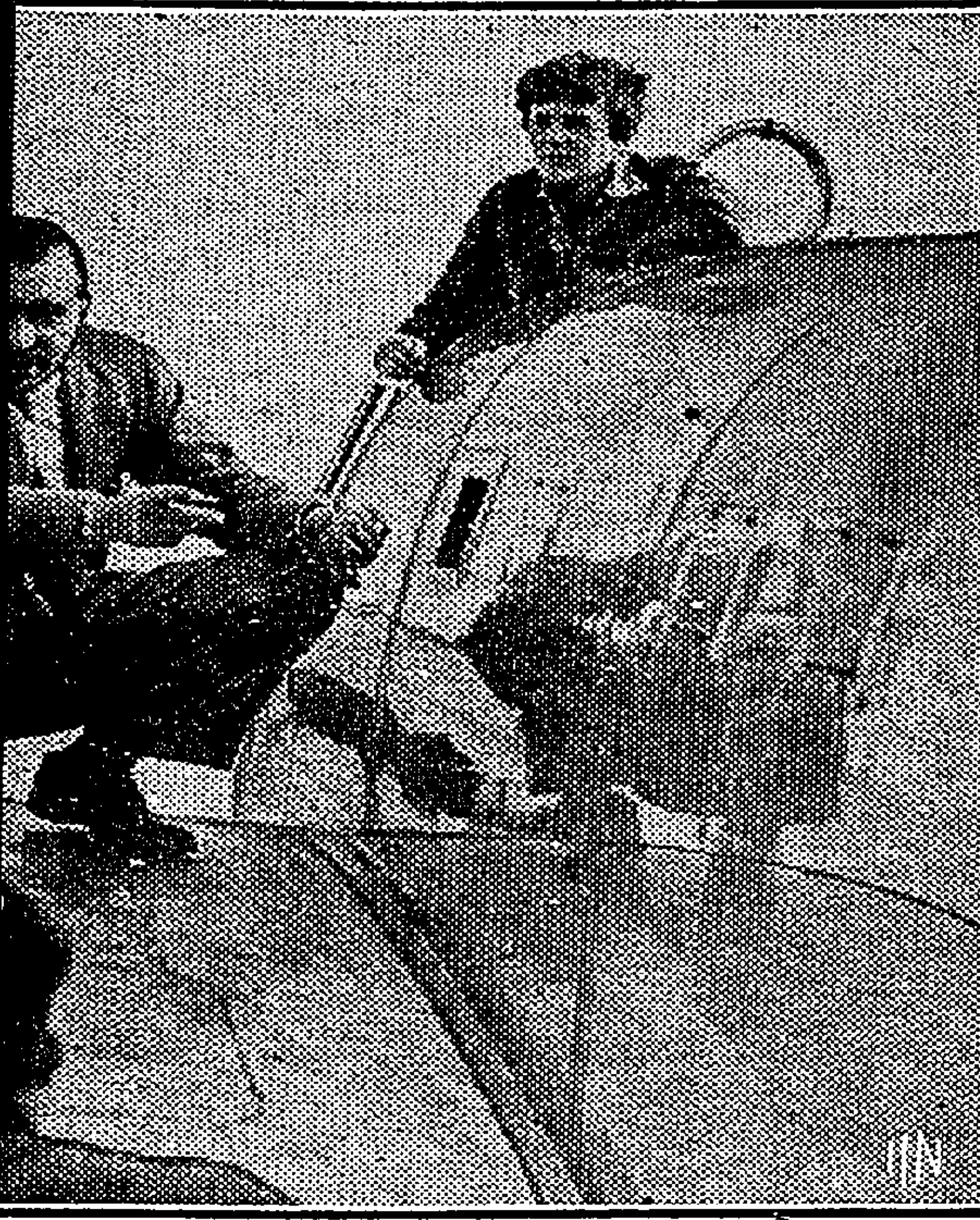


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MURDER STORY



Earhart, the famous woman aviatrix, who crashed in projected round-the-world solo flight last month, has her machine, known as the "flying laboratory," and is set out from California on her second attempt. Here is the re-built plane with Paul Mantz, her technical

Coronation Designer



Norman Hartwell (above), youngest British dress designer, has a royal order for 40 sumptuous dresses which Queen Elizabeth of England will wear at the many court functions in connection with the Coronation ceremonies in London during May.

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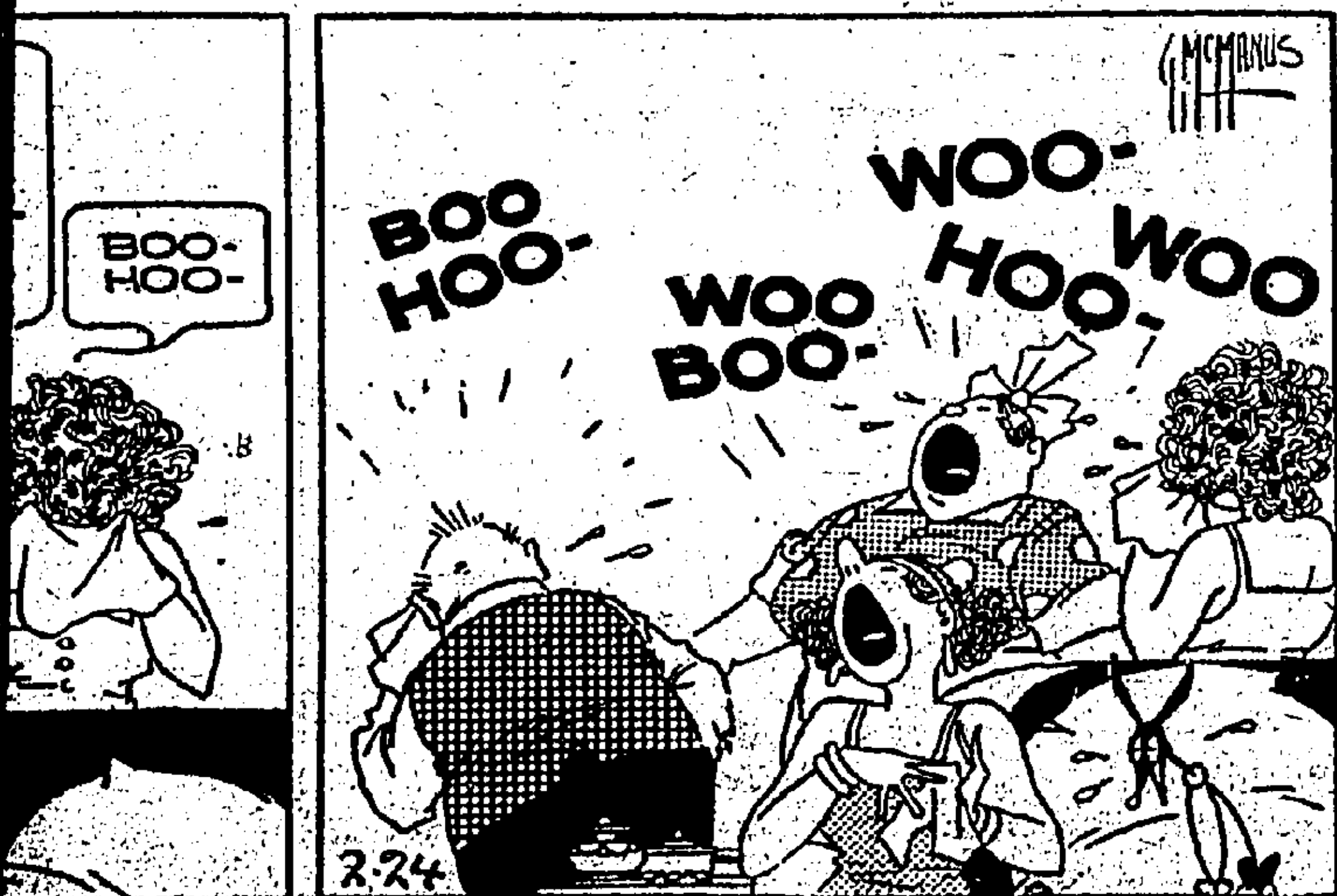
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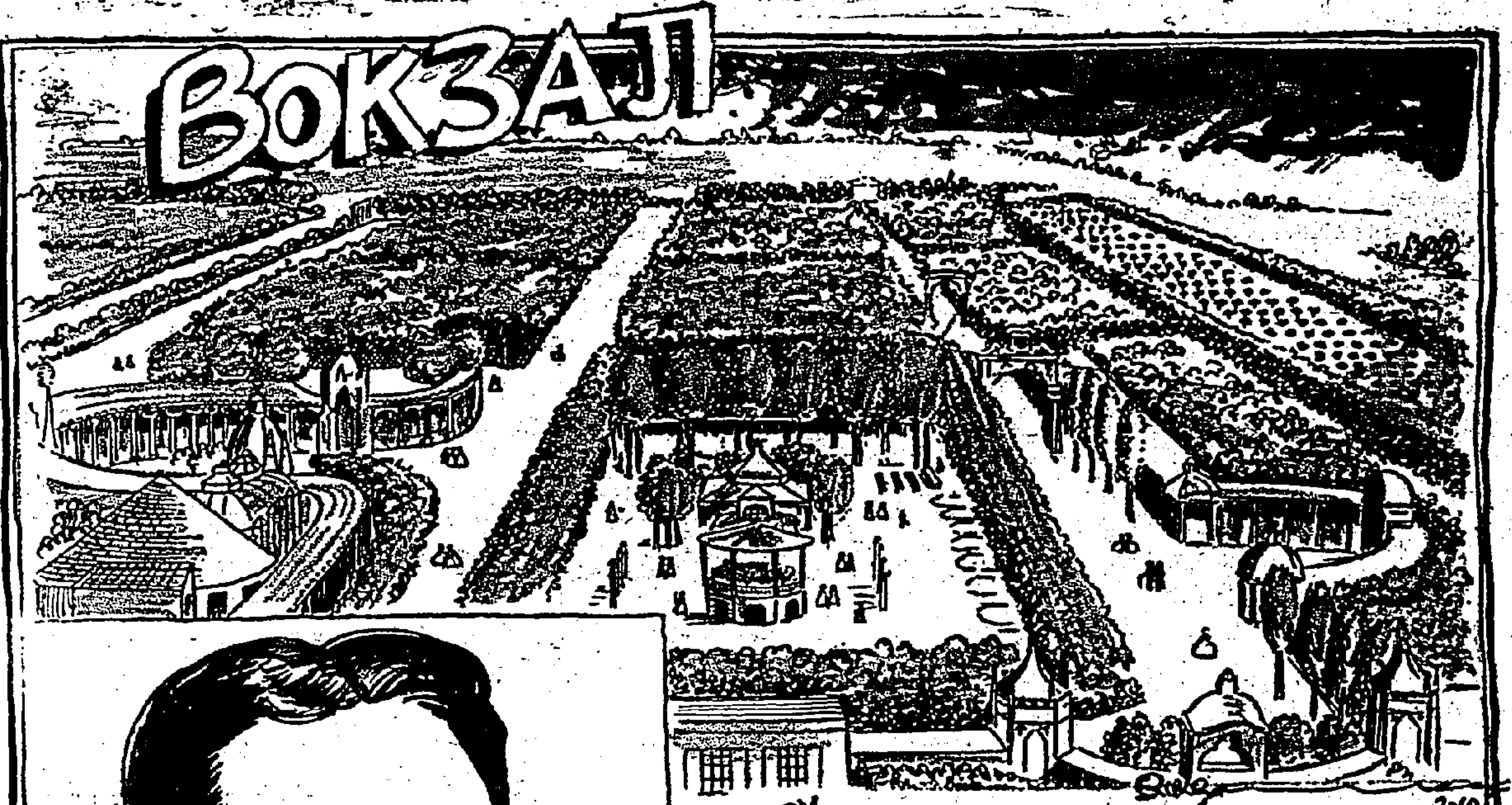


Charles and Rosalind Russell in a scene from "Craig's Wife," outstanding films of the year, which is now showing at the theatre. Rosalind Russell gives the best performance of her

By George McManus



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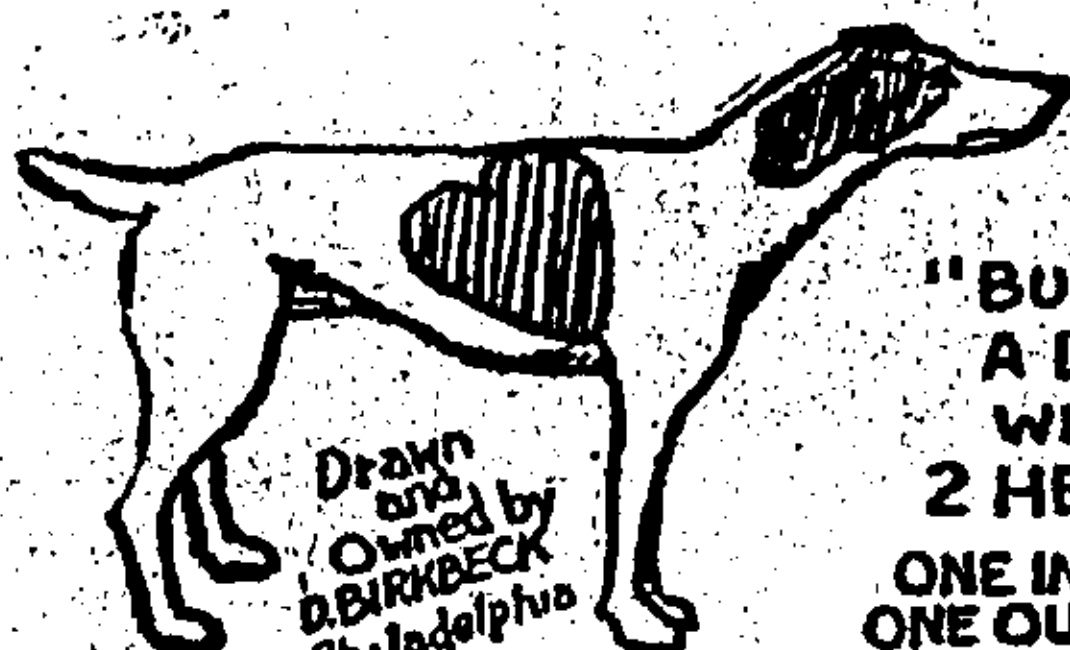
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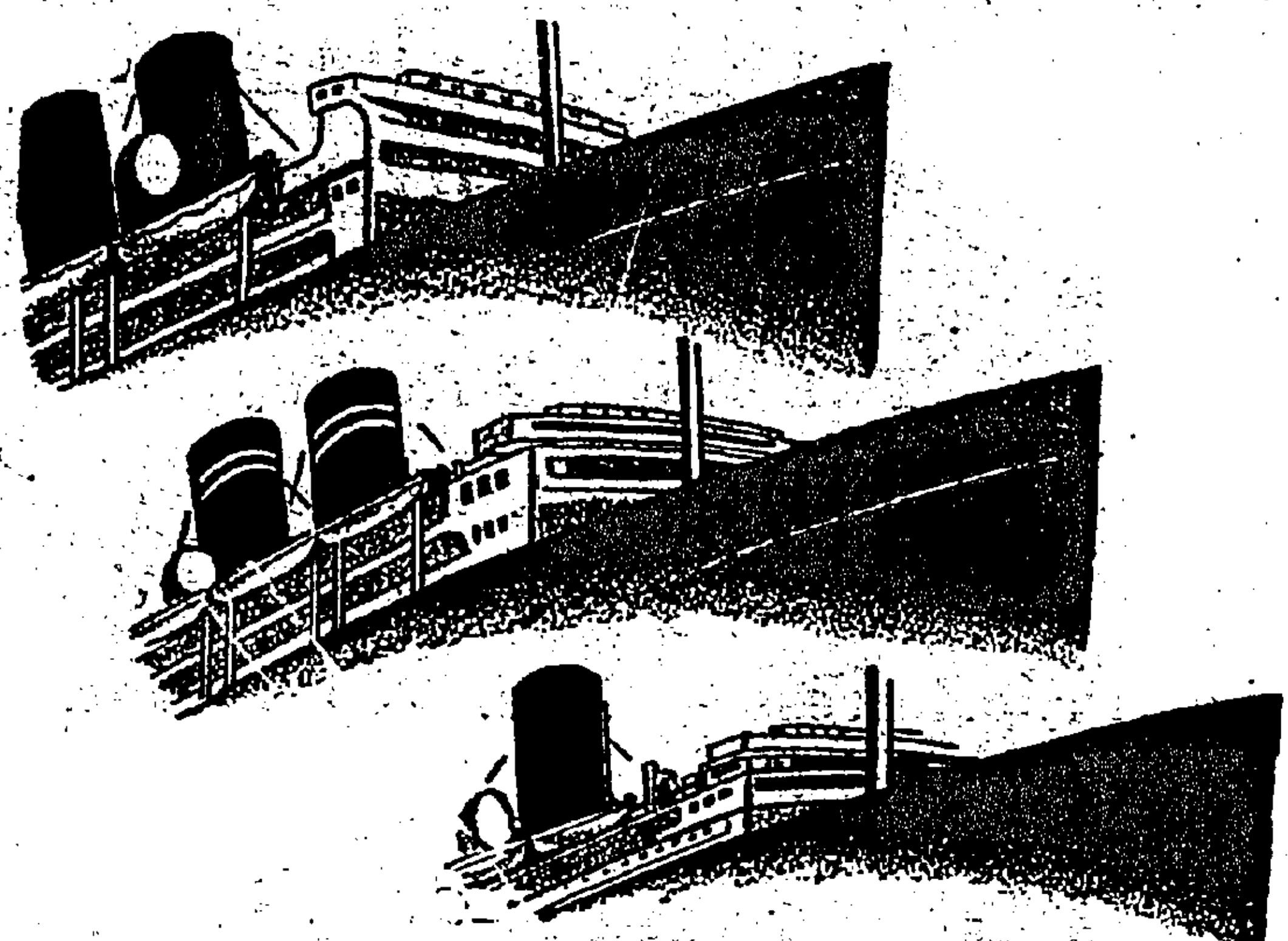
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	Ord., Apr. 30, 5.30 p.m.	
Saturday		
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Nellore	Sat., May 1,	
Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 18th May.	Parcels, Apr. 30, 5 p.m.	
	Reg., Apr. 30, 5 p.m.	
	Letters, May 1, 9 a.m.	
Letters for "K. I. M. Service."	Rajputana	Sat., May 1.
(Due Amsterdam 10th May.)	G. P. O. and K. P. O.	
	Reg., May 1, 9.30 a.m.	
	Letters, May 1, 10 a.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles.	Rajputana	Sat., May 1
(Due Marseilles, 28th May.)	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Parcels, Apr. 30, 5 p.m.	
	Reg., May 1, 9.45 a.m.	
	Letters, May 1, 10.30 a.m.	
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kingyuan	Sat., May 1, 1 p.m.
Amoy	Anshun	Sat., May 1, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	Sat., May 1, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Parthos	Sat., May 1, 5 p.m.

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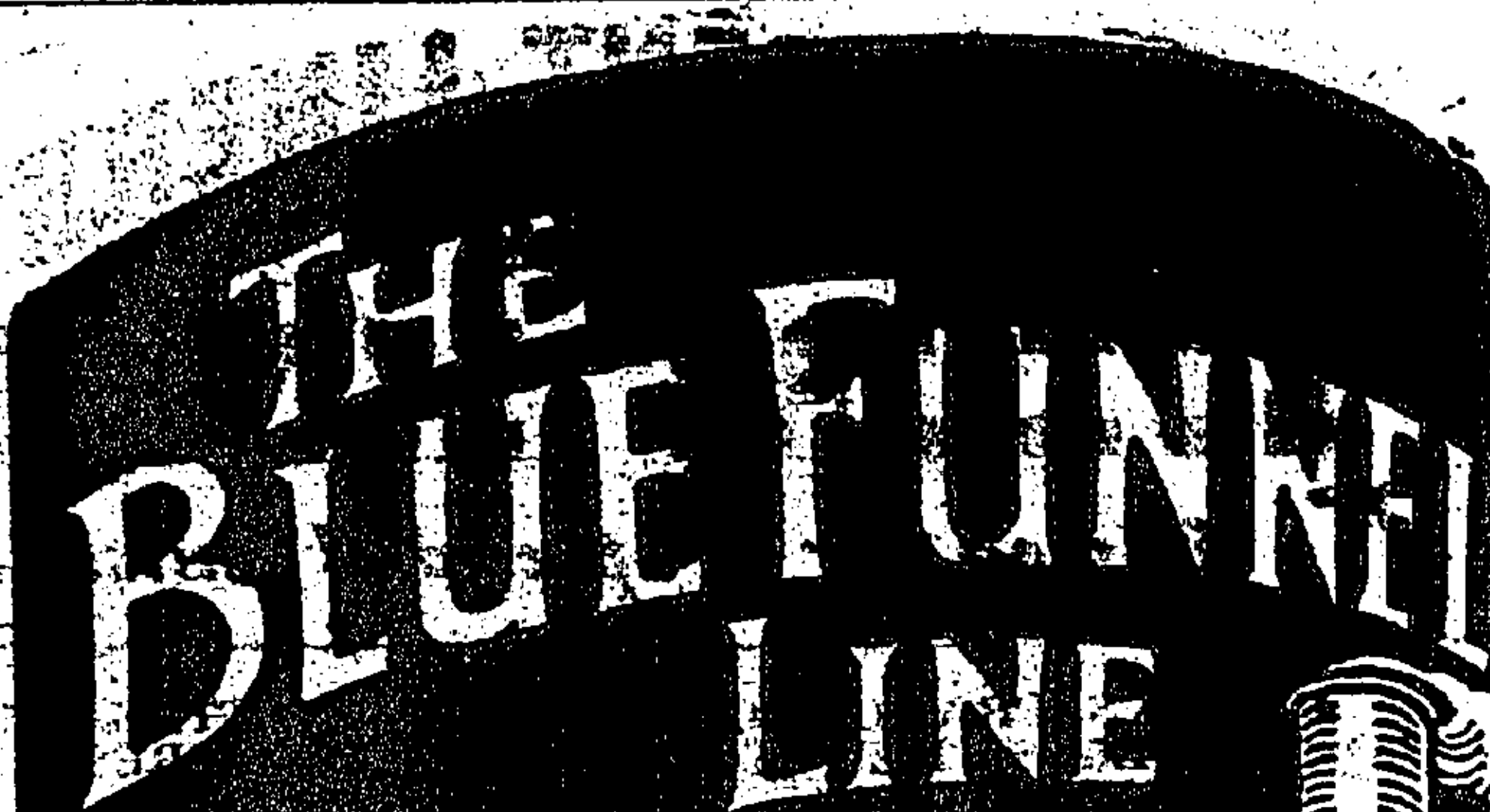
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Rangoon.	London Maru	Tues., 4th May
JAPAN via Takao and Keelung.	Kifuku Maru	Thurs., 20th May
JAPAN PORTS via Dairen	Hague Maru	Sun., 2nd May
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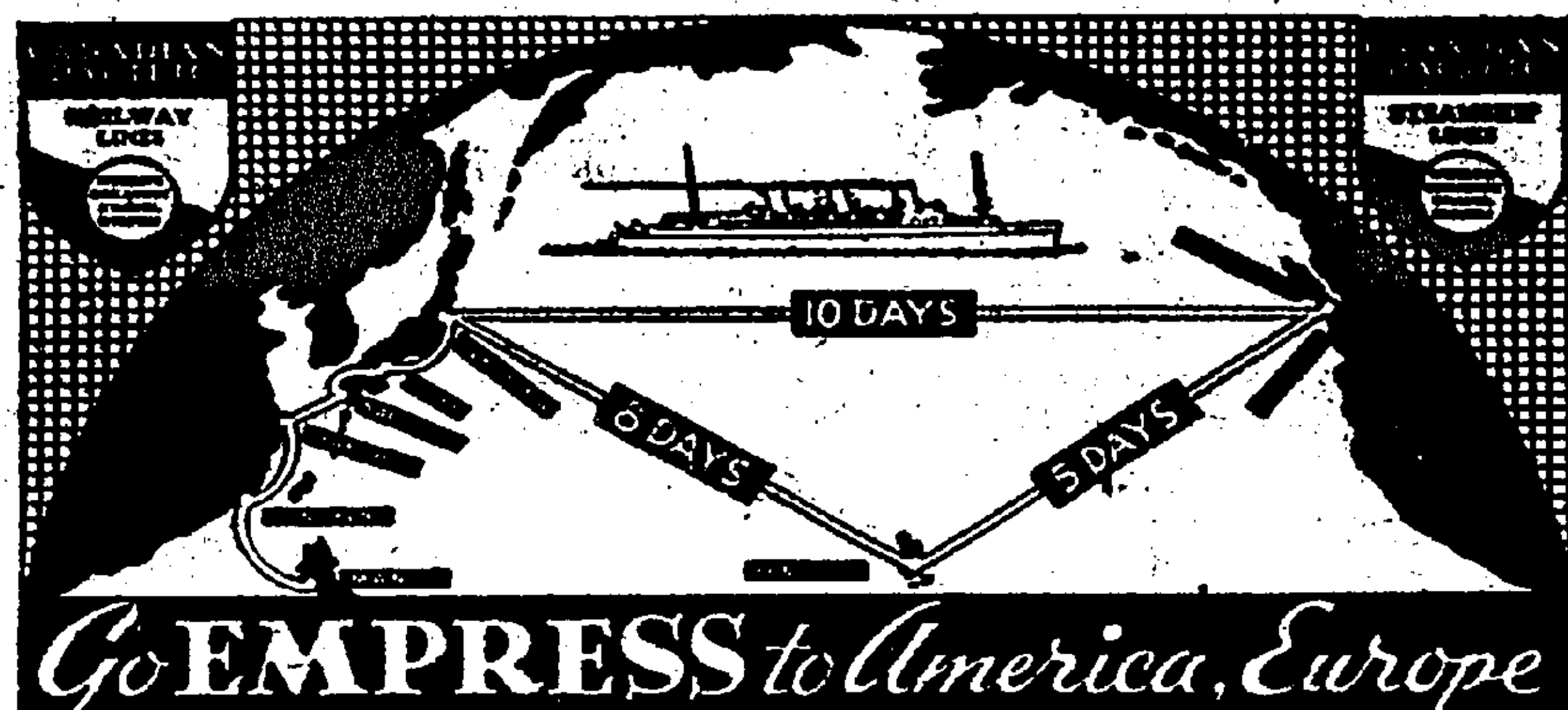
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WHOLESALE PRICES IN HONG KONG

THE FOLLOWING INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN HONG KONG FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1937, AS COMPARED WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIODS OF 1931, 1934, 1935 AND 1936, AND THE FULL YEAR 1936, HAVE BEEN ISSUED BY THE STATISTICAL OFFICE OF THE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS DEPARTMENT.

The figures are based on declarations of quantities and values furnished to the Statistical Office by Hong Kong importers and exporters.

	1936	1st Qr. 1931	1st Qr. 1934	1st Qr. 1935	1st Qr. 1936	1st Qr. 1937
Foodstuffs	113.3	144.1	94.8	85.4	109.1	123.5
Textiles	99.4	147.9	98.6	78.9	95.7	113.2
Metals and Minerals	107.2	138.5	101.7	83.7	101.9	121.4
Miscellaneous Articles	92.5	129.7	87.2	78.2	88.8	108.6

Average:— 103.1 139.8 95.6 81.5 98.9 117.9
INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES

Foodstuffs	1936	1st Qr. 1931	1st Qr. 1934	1st Qr. 1935	1st Qr. 1936	1st Qr. 1937
Beans	121.4	147.9	84.6	87.0	106.9	138.3
Beef	161.1	221.5	124.1	113.0	181.5	213.0
Eggs	98.0	133.0	93.3	72.0	97.3	97.3
Flour (Wheat)	104.4	124.1	75.9	65.0	92.4	136.0
Salt Fish	97.5	122.1	140.6	131.7	103.3	94.2
Fruits, Fresh	256.2	169.1	193.7	165.4	198.1	215.7
Lard	113.2	144.0	77.8	87.8	101.4	155.3
Milk (Condensed)	109.5	201.7	144.3	108.2	114.9	107.8
Mutton	172.7	173.8	136.4	121.2	162.1	177.2
Onions	94.4	177.9	73.5	54.9	114.8	128.7
Peanut Oil	131.3	112.3	76.8	92.5	113.8	154.7
Pork	97.3	145.0	92.8	75.8	95.0	121.7
Potatoes	88.0	102.5	82.2	59.3	93.2	89.6
Poultry	92.2	197.3	89.1	85.3	96.2	113.5
Rice (Broken)	103.0	133.6	59.3	69.9	88.7	134.6
Rice (White)	106.3	143.8	74.2	69.3	96.5	130.6
Sugar (Raw)	71.8	96.7	61.6	43.1	79.5	83.8
Vegetables (Dried, etc.)	55.5	59.4	52.3	56.0	56.1	56.3
Vermicelli	84.7	127.4	63.8	65.3	81.3	94.4

Textiles	1936	1st Qr. 1931	1st Qr. 1934	1st Qr. 1935	1st Qr. 1936	1st Qr. 1937
Cotton Yarn	105.0	142.8	90.0	81.4	104.1	119.7
Cotton (Dyed Plain)	60.9	95.7	63.8	62.3	66.7	79.7
Italians (Dyed Figured, Plain)	69.2	77.5	46.4	45.7	58.7	100.0
Shirtings (White 40/43 Yards)	50.3	92.9	56.2	47.0	47.8	70.2
Hemp (Manila)	140.0	130.9	67.4	47.4	135.1	189.0
Gunny Bags	197.8	315.6	208.9	191.1	206.7	235.6
Hessian Cloth	96.0	63.6	79.8	40.4	47.5	47.5
Silk Piece Goods	68.9	84.8	66.6	59.6	60.9	63.6
Silk Yarn (Artificial)	20.5	45.0	33.1	25.6	20.1	27.7
Blankets (Wool and Union)	106.6	142.9	81.2	74.9	105.8	92.9
Flannels	216.2	481.9	283.1	217.3	241.7	262.0
Suitings & Tweeds (Woolen)	61.5	100.8	107.3	53.8	53.5	71.0

Metals & Minerals	1936	1st Qr. 1931	1st Qr. 1934	1st Qr. 1935	1st Qr. 1936	1st Qr. 1937
Brass Sheets	86.1	138.3	96.6	71.3	75.0	106.4
Yellow Metal Sheathing	103.9	157.6	88.3	73.9	100.4	119.6
Coal	85.0	109.0	90.0	81.0	85.9	91.9
Iron & Steel Bars	108.4	115.6	91.3	81.9	107.6	115.9
Iron & Steel Nails	86.4	100.7	119.7	73.8	86.2	93.8
Iron & Steel Plates	175.0	189.7	158.0	110.5	144.7	202.3
Lead (Pig)	148.9	201.7	85.6	65.0	145.6	198.5
Kerosene	40.8	91.0	37.6	29.1	38.6	45.0
Oil Fuel	143.4	136.5	141.6	137.9	138.8	151.2
Lubricating Oil	70.6	141.8	74.7	76.1	66.3	72.6
Petrol	33.4	101.0	30.3	22.2	30.3	34.7
Tin	200.1	178.9	207.2	181.7	208.8	225.4

Miscellaneous	1936	1st Qr. 1931	1st Qr. 1934	1st Qr. 1935	1st Qr. 1936	1st Qr. 1937
Cement	40.4	69.7	41.9	48.7	43.9	40.0
Charcoal	32.4	45.2	37.2	35.4	34.0	31.6
Feather (Duck)	119.2	166.2	93.4	99.7	106.5	156.2
Firewood	74.1	114.5	102.0	90.8	74.3	79.1
Hardwoods	89.0	92.1	74.6	64.0	81.2	89.1
Hides (Cow)	208.3	184.5	146.4	125.8	178.3	297.2
Hides (Buffalo)	125.4	224.2	75.2	92.1	115.2	176.8
Leather (Sole)	101.6	130.3	100.2	85.8	83.1	141.4
Paper (Chinese)	56.0	115.6	60.3	67.8	50.4	75.7
Rattans	111.5	127.4	112.0	105.2	110.1	118.9
Saltpetre	95.7	131.7	99.1	86.6	100.9	103.0
Softwoods	106.2	129.6	83.3	87.1	106.2	129.0
Soda Ash	81.3	180.2	81.4	65.0	105.0	66.1
Sulphuric Acid	83.9	138.3	139.3	67.7	84.5	65.2
Sulphate of Ammonia	62.3	96.8	62.0	55.5	53.8	59.9

CHILDREN CLEAN UP TOWN OF GAMBLERS

Two thousand schoolchildren have "cleaned up" the bold, bad town of Joplin, Missouri, rid it of its gambling hell and vice palaces, and set its easy-going mayor, police chief and public prosecutor trembling with fear.

Scampering home from school the children peeped into windows, and through openings in heavy curtains they glimpsed men gambling, roulette wheels, dice.

When they went out again to play in the evenings they heard sounds of drunken hilarity coming from other buildings.

And the boys and girls of Joplin did not like these goings-on.

They thought the town's rulers were not doing their job properly. So they decided to show them how.

They found a champion in twenty-two-year-old Helen Warden. She became the Pied Piper of Joplin.

She walked through the streets, the children flocked to her side and marched behind her to protest meetings.

The children ordered the Town Council to start a clean-up.

"Well, there was a terrible fuss," Mr. George Welsh, Joplin resident, said. "It ended in leading citizens going before a Grand Jury for tolerating such conditions. Now all these gentlemen are facing 108 indictments."

Miss Warden is brave. The indicted Public Prosecutor happens to be her uncle.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co. have received the following quotation from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

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Spot	35½ up ¾
May/June	35½ up ¾
July/Sept.	35½ up 1
Oct./Dec.	35½ up 1
Market:	Steadier.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

BANKS
 Hong Kong Bank \$1865 b., \$1865 sa.
 Bank of East Asia \$92 b.
INDUSTRIALS
 Union Ins. \$622 sa.
 China Underwriters \$1.55 b.
SHIPPING
 Douglass \$38 1/4 b.
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PUBLIC UTILITIES
 Peak Trams (Old) \$4 1/2 b.
 Peak Trams (New) \$1 1/4 b.
 H. K. Electric \$60 1/4 b., \$61 sa.
 Macao Electric \$17 1/2 b.
 Sandakan Lights \$12 1/4 b.
INDUSTRIALS
 Cements \$16 s., \$15.85 sa.
STORES, & C.
 Lane, Crawfords \$8.80 b.
COTTON MILLS
 Shanghai Cottons (Old) Sh.\$117 b.
 Shanghai Cottons (New) Sh.\$92 b.
 Wing On Textiles Sh.\$61 b.
MISCELLANEOUS
 Constructions (Old) \$1.60 b.
 Constructions (New) 45 cts. b.
 Vibor Piling \$6.10 b.

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Masbate Consol.	.25 1/2
Min. Resources	.09
Northern Mining	.46
Paracale Gumaus	.046
Salacot Mining	2.15
San Mauricio	.39
Suyoc Consol.	.78
United Paracales	

The Manila Stock Exchange will be closed to-day and to-morrow.

LOCAL DOLLAR

London Silver Prices

The dollar opened on demand to-day at 1/2-27/32.
 "Spot silver was quoted at 20-3/8 and "forward," at 20-7/16.
 The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.9470 and the New York on London cross-rate at 4.94-7/8.

World Petroleum Congress

It will be recalled that the first World Petroleum Congress, which was organised by the Institution of Petroleum Technologists, was held in London in 1933, and that, at the conclusion of that meeting, it was decided to hold further congresses at intervals of three years.

Actually, however, the second congress of the series is to be held in Paris in June of the present year. We are informed that a large number of papers for discussion, sponsored by various scientific societies throughout the world, are to be presented and that the programme is being drawn up.

All aspects of petroleum technology and economics will be dealt with, and the contributions to be presented will be divided into a number of sections respectively, devoted to geology and production, physical chemistry and refining, constructional materials and the erection of plant, utilisation of the products of petroleum, and economics and statistics.

The sessions of the Congress will take place in the mornings only, the afternoons being devoted to visits of technical interest, while a number of receptions and evening entertainments have been arranged.

Tours have been organised, one to Morocco and one to the South of France, to take place before the Congress, while four tours in France have been arranged, after the Congress, in order to enable members to study the development of the petroleum industry in that country.

Further details regarding the Congress will be announced in due course, meanwhile all communications should be addressed to the Secretariat, 85, Boulevard Montparnasse, Paris. —*Engineering.*

M. Jouhaux, son of the General Secretary of the French Confederation of Labour, was sentenced at Liege to one month's imprisonment for forgery and one month for using a false name.

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HAPPY EVE FOR ST. GEORGE'S PLATE

Fourth Extra Meeting To-morrow

MR. DEITZ AWAY FROM COLONY LAN STABLE MOUNTS FOR MR. P. P. BOTELHO TWO SHORT SPRINT EVENTS

(By "RAPIER")

POSTPONED from last Saturday, the Fourth Extra Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held to-morrow. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and there are altogether nine events on the programme, the most important of which is naturally the St. George's Plate. Fine weather should favour this meeting, and, with the grass track in such splendid condition, we may look forward to witnessing some keen racing.

THE UNTIMELY PASSING OF MR. S. Y. LIANG HAS LEFT A GAP IN THE CIRCLE OF LOCAL JOCKEYS WHICH WILL BE HARD TO FILL. THE LATE MR. LIANG HAD, BY HIS GENIAL DISPOSITION AND UNASSUMING MANNER, ENDEARED HIMSELF TO ALL WHO KNEW HIM, AND HIS UNFORTUNATE DEMISE HAS EVOKED GENERAL EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY. GREAT TRIBUTES HAVE ALREADY BEEN PAID TO HIS STERLING QUALITIES, AND IT NOW ONLY REMAINS TO BE SAID THAT SUCH SYMPATHY FOUND TRUE EXPRESSION AMONG THE LARGE GATHERING OF OFFICIALS AND JOCKEYS WHO ATTENDED HIS FUNERAL.

I understand that most of the mounts from the Lan stable will henceforth be entrusted to the care of Mr. P. P. Botelho, whose return to riding after an absence of several weeks will be welcomed by his numerous friends. I regret, however, to say that Mr. Norman Deitz will not be seen in action to-morrow as he has left for Shanghai on business. He was expected to ride Happy Eve in the St. George's Plate, but it is now believed that Mr. L. P. Ralph will be given the mount instead, and that Mr. Benny Proulx has been asked to take out some of the ponies entered by Mr. Eu Tong-sen.

Writing of Mr. Proulx reminds me of the announcement which recently appeared regarding the loss which he sustained in the death of his Mother, and on behalf of my readers I extend sympathy to him in his bereavement.

CHARTERS TOWERS

HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS.

With fifteen "B" Class Australian ponies entered for this opening event, and on account of its short distance, a close and exciting finish should be featured. Since my last notes appeared, I have reason to believe that Just That (Mr. W. H. S. Davis) has come into favour as a potential winner. Mr. Proulx will have the mount on Racing Heart, and Mr. W. G. Poy will probably be taking out Blandford instead.

It will be recalled that Blandford scored a meritorious win in the St. Kilda Handicap, but on that occasion the distance was longer. Blandford is inclined to be a little slow in starting, and for this reason alone I doubt whether it will be able to win again.

The pony that appeals to me most is Saucy Face. It is a fast mover, and, under the capable handling of Mr. H. C. Pih, I think it will not be easy to beat.

Australian Boy (Mr. L. P. Ralph) and Honey (Mr. Ip Kui Ying) should also receive some consideration, especially the latter, which is

noted as a flyer over short distances. Discovery Bay (Mr. Black) was once my choice as the pony likely to cause an upset, but I am now inclined to the view that the distance is far too short for this pony. As another outsider, however, I suggest Violet Queen (Mr. S. C. Liang). This pony has been very

carefully trained within recent months, and a win for it cannot be long delayed.

MOUNT DAVIS HANDICAP: (FIRST SECTION) 1 1/4 MILES

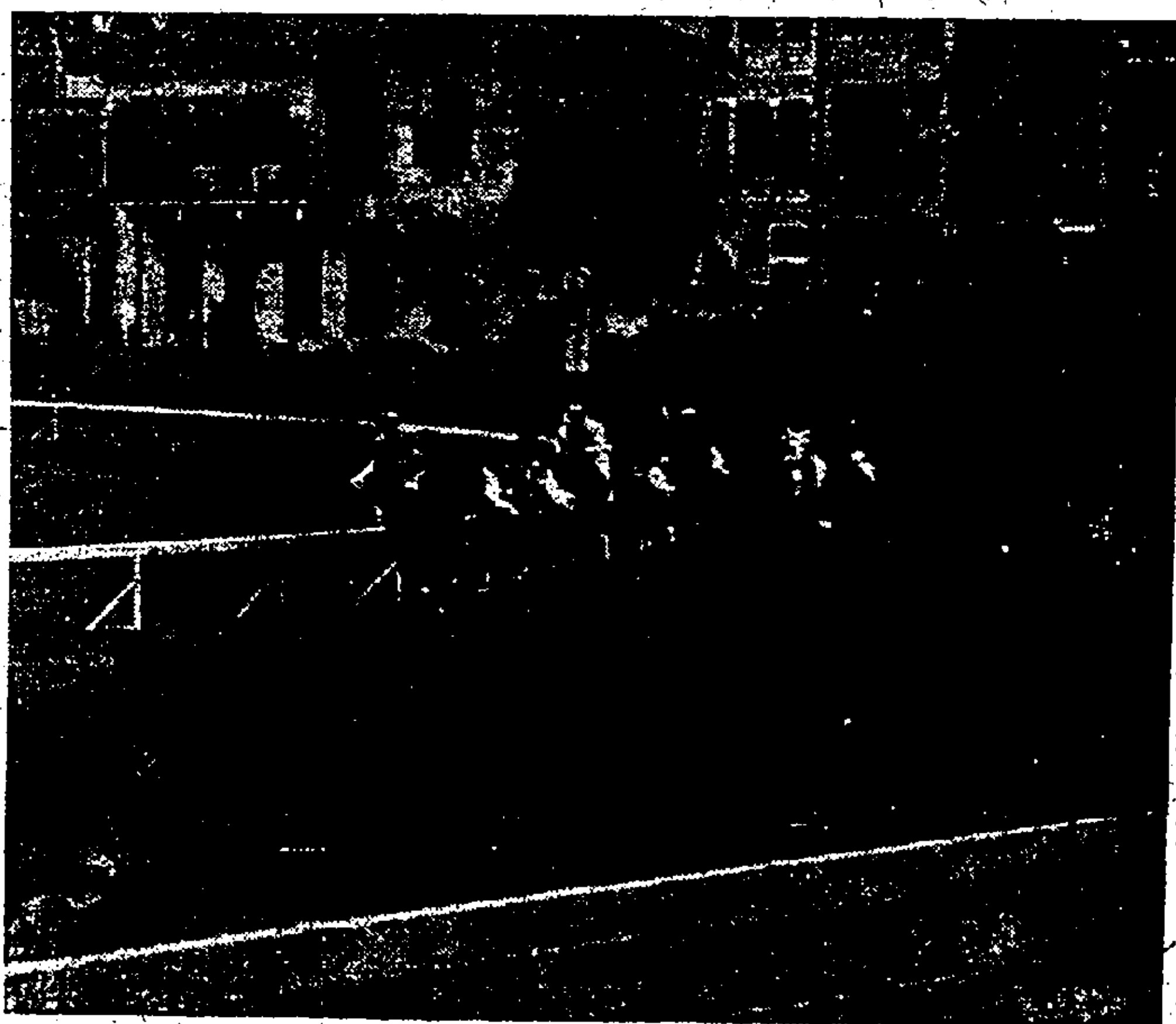
In this race, Amberley (Mr. Y. T. Fung) has a good opportunity of performing the "hat-trick," and, after its brilliant success at the previous Meeting, it should certainly command strong support. The distance must, however, be borne in mind. Amberley's first win was over six furlongs, and its second win was in a mile race, whereas to-morrow it will be called upon to run over the Champions distance. The question naturally arises whether it has the stamina for such a long race. I rather doubt it, but one can never tell on account of its light handicaps of only 145 lbs.

On the other hand, Bright View, recently demoted from the "B" to the "C" Class, will find the heavy burden of 168 lbs. a severe handicap. Mr. Li Lan-sang has also entered Soldier of China (Mr. Botelho) and Jungle Jim, which will be taken out by Mr. Ip Kui-ying. Jungle Jim is down to a very light weight, and, as it is fighting fit at the moment, it will not come as a surprise to see it there at the finish.

Pontiac Bay (Mr. Davis) should find the distance a little too long, and, after its glorious win at a recent Meeting, I suggest Apilas as the best outsider. If again ridden by Mr. S. C. Liang, it will certainly be worth a bet each way.

ST. GEORGE'S PLATE: 1 1/4 MILES

It is a pity that in such an important event, which is regarded as a "classic" in local racing annals, there is no other pony among the entries to give Happy Eve (Mr. Ralph) any real opposition. Despite its heavy weight of 168 lbs., it should win without any difficulty, and I am going to suggest Potentate (Mr. Poy) as a possible challenger.



Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Potentate, seen here leading into the straight, is very lightly treated in weight to-morrow and may cause an upset in the St. George's Plate ("China Mail" photo).

regarding Mr. Dunbar's new griffin, Baffin Bay. It was not very impressive in training, and further opinion about its ability must be withheld until after to-morrow.

THE HUNCHBACK'S PLATE: ONE MILE

In this race for Novice riders, I sincerely hope that Mr. Choy Wing-chiu will be able to handle Tabby Cat strongly before the rise of the barrier. Inclined to misbehave before the start of the race, Tabby Cat may not be made favourite, but I expect to see it give Mr. Choy another win. National Anthem (Mr. R. M. Wood), Declasse (Mr. W. G. Poy) Radium (Mr. K. W. Fung) and Weedon Seat (Mr. Chiu Cheong-fan) are also likely contenders for honours.

HIGH WEST HANDICAP: ONE MILE

In this first leg of the "Daily Double," Dr. L. Reidy has two candidates in New Star (Mr. Y. T. Fung) and Soldier of Honour (Mr. R. Bowden). A win for New Star will inevitably mean its promotion to the "A" Class, but the heavy burden of 168 lbs. may yet cause its retention in the "B" Class.

I have since had an opportunity of seeing Soldier of Honour in training. It certainly looks fit and has an easy movement. King's Lead (Mr. S. C. Liang), with only 140 lbs. to carry, certainly looks tempting, but I am just afraid that it prefers a little longer race. King's Justice (Mr. H. C. Pih) is lightly treated, but the pony that appeals to me most is Harvest View. If Mr. Botelho can only get Harvest View in front as it has been on previous occasions, then it will have a good chance of winning.

CANTERBURY PARK

HANDICAP: SIX FURLONGS

Expectations of a close and exciting finish should be fulfilled in this race, in which the following should be prominent: Gypsy Love (Mr. S. C. Liang), Home Brew (Mr. B. A. Proulx) and Lancashire Chips (Mr. D. Black).

With the departure of Mr. Deitz for Shanghai, it is not known which jockey will ride Courting Eve, but I expect it will probably be Mr. L. P. Ralph. Courting Eve is inclined to be a little slow in starting, and, with the above speedy entries to contend with, I doubt whether it will succeed.

It was at first expected that Aztec might appear in this event, but I understand that it will probably not accept to-morrow, so that in its absence the finish should be fought out between Gypsy Love, Home Brew and Lancashire Chips.

Gypsy Love and Lancashire Chips, winners of the Sydney Maiden Stakes over the same distance at the Annual Meeting, should command the most support, but Home Brew is in fine form at the moment, and it will not surprise me to see it coming in first.

TAI-MO SHAN HANDICAP:

FIRST SECTION: ABOUT FIVE FURLONGS

This is the second leg of the "Daily-Double," and Gold Coin looks the likely choice for making the connection. It will be ridden by Mr. H. C. Pih, and, despite its heavy weight of 163 lbs., I think it should just about win, with Laughing Girl and Valorous (Mr. B. A. Proulx) as the main opposition. I would, however, recommend a little attention to Zero, as the distance is more to its liking, and it can move fairly fast. I believe it will be ridden by Mr. Ralph, who is quite good at the gate.

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BOWLS SEASON OPENS TO-MORROW

OPENING DAY BOWLS PROGRAMME

CRAIGENGOWER SHOULD WIN

H.K.F.C. TEAMS VERY STRONG

(By "SKIP")

With only a vague idea of the personnel of the various teams, it is no easy task to attempt a forecast of the opening of the League's fixtures to-morrow.

Craigengower, the present League champions, seem certain to fall into their stride with a win against the K.C.C., and I also fancy the chances of Club de Recreio to beat the Civil Servants at King's Park.

The K.B.G.C. entertain the Hong Kong Football Club and should be well tested, although they will emerge narrow winners, a remark which applies with equal force to the home team when they act as hosts to the Police, at Kowloon Dock.

In the Second Division of the League, the closest match will probably prove to be that between the two teams which were in the premier League last year—Taikoo and the Indians. Ground advantage should tell.

H.K.F.C. FAVOURED

Club de Recreio may have little difficulty in accounting for the Police, but in assessing the Football Club's chances against the junior champions, their big "friendly" victory against the Police seconds must not be forgotten. They should win by a small margin I imagine.

The Kowloon Cricket Club will meet more than their match in the Craigengower "B" team, who are favourites for this section.

Whilst I congratulate the Association on forming three Leagues instead of two, I cannot say they have given the poor scribe an easy task in picking the winners, but I will take past experience as a guide in selecting all four home teams to collect the points in the Third Division.

The following is my forecast giving in brackets the corresponding result of last year's match, where ever possible:—

FIRST DIVISION

C.C.C.	(67)	K.C.C.	(57)
RECREIO	(74)	C.S.C.C.	(47)
K.B.G.C.	(—)	H.K.F.C.	(—)
K.D.R.C.	(73)	Police	(57)

SECOND DIVISION

K.C.C.	(—)	C.C.C.	(—)
H.K.F.C.	(42)	K.B.G.C.	(79)
RECREIO	(90)	P.R.C.	(44)
*TAIKOO	(44)	I.R.C.	(70)

(* In First Division last year)

THIRD DIVISION

C.S.C.C.	(—)	K.F.C.	(—)
YACHT CLUB	(57)	C.C.C.	(50)
H.K.E.R.C.	(—)	Kowloon T.	(—)
*H.K.F.C.	(—)	C.D.R.	(—)

(† In Second Division last year)

Three Divisions Featured

MANY TEAM CHANGES: R. DUNCAN AWAY

H.K.F.C. HAVE 60 PLAYERS AT DISPOSAL

CRAIGENGOWER WEAKENED

(By "SKIP")

AT 3.30 p.m. to-morrow afternoon, no less than 288 players will begin the 1937 Lawn Bowls season. As in other parts of the world, the game is increasing in popularity in Hong Kong, and this year we have not only two new clubs in the Kowloon Football Club and the Kowloon Tong Club, but the Hong Kong Football Club, who commenced the game so recently, are, like Club de Recreio, fielding three teams.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SOCCERITES HAVE 60 PLAYERS AT THEIR DISPOSAL, WHICH MUST MAKE ONE OR TWO OF THE OTHER CLUBS ENVOIOUS. EVEN IF THE BOWLS SUB-COMMITTEE HAS A NOT-TOO-THANKFUL JOB OF WORK TO DO. TO REVISE THE OLD JOKE ABOUT NOT WORRYING! DO YOUR BEST, PLAY THE GAME AND DON'T WORRY THEN ONE DAY YOU'LL BE ELECTED TO THE BOWLS SELECTION COMMITTEE, LUCKY IF YOU GET A GAME AND HAVE ALL THE WORRY! !

A tour of the clubs has not given me much information as regards the formation of the various teams, although some clubs have had practice matches which serve as an indication of the probable constitution of the rinks.

Several players have transferred their services, the most notable one being R. F. da Luz, who has returned to Club de Recreio after several seasons at Craigengower the Senior League champions. Hyde-Lay, is another interesting transfer, but he will not be lost to First Division bowls as he is playing for the H.K.F.C.'s "A" team. W. Gill and G. Duncan, late of Craigengower, have also gone to the Football Club and should do well for them.

NOTABLE TRANSFERS

Indications are that Bebbington, late of the K.C.C., will also be playing First Division bowls as he appeared as No. 3 to Alec Macfarlane, of the H.K.F.C., in their friendly game against the Police last Saturday. Alec's elder brother, W. Macfarlane, has as far as I know, not signed up for League bowls this season. A player who figured prominently in the open Singles a couple of seasons ago, H. Nish, is turning out for the K.C.C., and if he produces his old form, he should be a useful acquisition to a team which does not appear very strong on paper.

Club de Recreio, in addition to Luz, whom I have mentioned above, have the services of C. F. Remedios, winner of the Open Singles title at Shanghai last year, and he should prove of great strength to them as both his brother, "A.A." and I believe also Jackie Noronha, are unable to turn out.

R. DUNCAN AWAY

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club have lost R. Duncan former Colony Singles Champion, who has gone to Australia for a holiday, R. Hall who is "fathering" the newly-formed

K.F.C., and M. J. Henderson, who is away on leave, whilst Guy cannot spare the time to play every week, I'm told.



W. E. "Bill" Hollands, above, will be badly missed from the Police First Division bowls team to-morrow afternoon for their opening match of the season against Kowloon Docks.

To compensate for this however, they have Tetley and Armstrong both back from leave in the "off" season, and both due to play for the first team. The latter, an old C.S.C.C. player, has been figuring as No. 3. to A. W. Holland and the combination has done well.

Kowloon Docks, if duties permit, should do better than last year although there is no true indication of their strength to date. Both the Police and the Civil Service appear to be pretty much the same as before in playing strength, although they have lost "Bill" Hollands who was third in the Skips table last season. Moss has returned, whilst one hopes to see Post and Fender on the green again if they are able to get away from duty.

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Left to right are Jimmy Ripple, George Davis, Cliff Melton, Mickey Haslin, William Benne, William Yarewick, Tom Ferrick and Jimmy Sheehan, members of the New York Giants, lining the rail of the liner on which they sailed from New York for Cuba, where they prepare for the baseball season.

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW

FIRST DIVISION

The following are the First Division Lawn Bowl teams for to-morrow:—

K.C.C.
H. Nish, T. Madar, R. Craig and F. Goodwin (skip).
G. Lee, V. C. Labrum, E. Kern and A. E. Silkstone (skip).
W. Mulcahy, J. M. Brown, H. Overy and J. M. Jack (skip).

K.B.G.C.
A. S. Russell, J. L. Tetley, J. E. Henson and S. Randle (skip).
J. Watson, W. Russell, T. Armstrong and A. M. Holland (skip).
W. L. Walker, E. W. Lines, J. C. Gill and G. H. Sherriff (skip).

P.R.C.
W. Greig, W. Campbell, J. Fender and W. Mair (skip).
L. Glendinning, J. Forrest, F. E. E. Booker and G. Moss (skip).
T. Nolan, W. Dall, G. Perkins and A. E. Post (skip).

H.K.F.C.
R. P. Shaw, G. E. Stephen, E. Tuck and A. Hyde Lay (skip).
J. Russell, E. S. Carter, N. J. Bebbington and A. Macfarlane (skip).
G. Duncan, C. B. Robertson, Dr. J. A. R. Selby and J. Rodger (skip).

Recreio
J. Luz, F. X. Soares, C. Remedios and R. F. Luz (skip).
J. M. Noronha, C. E. Marques, F. V. V. Ribério and F. X. Silva (skip).
L. Silva, L. Xavier, C. G. Silva and H. A. Alves (skip).

C.C.C.
M. A. R. Souza, J. Cavanagh, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip).
L. C. R. Souza, A. S. Gomes, J. S. Landolt and U. M. Omar (skip).
A. A. Razack, V. N. Atienza, C. S. Rosselet and R. Basa (skip).

K.D.R.C.
A. Pearson, A. Calman, R. Morrison and J. McKelvie (skip).
G. Mitchell, J. Revie, J. Kempton and J. Fraser (skip).
V. Ramsay, M. Ferguson, J. Ozorio and F. Cullen (skip).

SECOND DIVISION

The following are the Second Division Lawn Bowls teams for to-morrow:—

P.R.C.
R. Ellis, F. H. Kelly, J. S. Riddell, W. Glendinning (skip).
H. Brown, S. Farlow, T. Tallon and S. Logan (skip).

N.B.
N. B. Fraser, A. Johnson, J. McWalter and A. E. Caray (skip).
Reserves:—F. Matches and W. Hayward.

K.C.C.
A. A. Dand, Capt. Rutter, A. J. Kew and L. Jack (skip).
A. Canning, J. Dinnen, A. Nissim and W. W. Hirst (skip).

H.K.F.C.
H. Kew, F. E. Nash, T. Hunter and J. Smith (skip).

K.B.G.C.
P. T. Barby, S. M. White, D. W.



Waterton and C. B. Hosking (skip).
E. V. Searle, K. G. Hamilton, F. Morley and J. G. Meyer (skip).
H. L. Lockhart, A. K. Taylor, R. O. Read and W. S. Drake (skip).

H.K.F.C.
F. P. Anslow, A. W. Hayward, J. Beach and A. Brookshank (skip).
H. G. Wallington, W. Kershaw, L. E. Lammert and W. Gill (skip).
J. Hovell, D. Fitches, P. Morgan and F. H. W. Haynes (skip).

Recreio
D. C. Alves, Dr. A. P. Guterres, J. F. V. Ribério and C. H. Basto (skip).
F. A. Xavier, C. Silva, P. A. Yvanovich and E. M. Remedios (skip).
F. A. Machado, M. Marques, A. V. Barros and J. J. Basto (skip).

C.C.C.
J. R. Soares, E. McNay, K. M. Omar and A. M. Omar (skip).
J. W. Leonard, W. Ward, B. W. Whiteman and H. V. Pearse (skip).
N. J. Karanjia, J. A. Coelho, H. W. Randall and W. K. Way (skip).

L.R.C.
J. Hoosen, A. Bakér, A. K. Minu and A. R. Minu (skip).
S. M. Rumjahn, A. M. Wahab, A. O. Madar and A. R. Dallah (skip).
A. H. Rumjahn, A. H. Madar, M. R. Abbas and M. Y. Adal (skip).

Talkoo D.R.C.
C. H. Summers, J. Fleming, R. Wright and J. Watson (skip).
W. Melrose, T. Hillon, J. Whyte and J. C. Chalmers (skip).
W. Brown, W. Weir, J. C. Polson and T. F. Stainton (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

The following are the Third Division Lawn Bowls teams for to-morrow:—

H.K.F.C.
E. Casey, W. J. Buller, R. A. Tren-grove and J. H. Gelling (skip).
J. Barnes, B. A. Mansell, V. Walker and A. Webster (skip).
J. Wells, J. Dobson, F. H. Glover and E. J. Edwards (skip).

Recreio
C. C. Pereira, E. A. S. Alves, M. Carvalho and H. A. Botelho (skip).
A. F. Noronha, A. M. Xavier, O. P. Remedios and C. Roza-Pereira (skip).
C. M. Xavier, F. X. Monteiro, C. E. Xavier and J. M. S. Rosario (skip).

Yacht Club
R. H. Wild, D. Drummond, G. E. Costello and B. E. Maughan (skip).
F. H. King, P. S. Cassidy, A. W. Brown and K. S. Robertson (skip).
A. Murdock, W. R. Mansfield, E. S. Abraham and A. Stevenson (skip).

C.C.C.
J. Pau, D. Rozario, W. H. Phelps and W. J. Bagley (skip).
W. J. Penney, J. Xavier, W. H. Atkins and A. A. Lewis (skip).
G. Payne, E. Kerrison, Y. Abbas and E. Zimmern (skip).

KOWLOON WAH YAN ATHLETICS

Many Records Fall

Eleven records were broken and one equalled at the Kowloon Wah Yan School's second athletic meeting held on the Kowloon Football Club ground yesterday.

The senior championship went to Wong Yiu-kwong and Chan Kwok-chue, who tied with 11 points each. Honours for the junior championship went to Lee Hung-leung, with

YANKEES STILL WINNING

Brooklyn Blanked: Baseball Results

New York, To-day.

The outstanding feature of yesterday's American baseball programme was Whitehead's performance for the Giants against the Dodgers in the National League, when he slammed two home-runs, while Fitzsimmons, of the same team, also clouted a four-bagger.

Chicago secured an overwhelming victory in the American League over the St. Louis Browns, Stratton blanking the latter team.

Results as cabled by Reuter, were:—

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
New York	2	6	1
Washington	4	9	0

Lewis hit a homer

Detroit	3	7	1
York hit a homer			
Cleveland	12	13	0
Al Trosky hit a homer			

St. Louis	0	8	1
Stratton pitched			
Chicago	12	19	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Brooklyn	0	5	5
New York	9	13	0

Whitehead (twice) and Fitzsimmons hit homers.

Boston	6	15	0
Cuccinnello hit a homer			
Philadelphia	4	13	0

(Eleven innings were played)

Cincinnati	1	8	2
St. Louis	6	5	1

Chicago	5	12	3
Pittsburgh	6	13	0

(Thirteen innings were played).

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Lau Kam-nam as runner-up.

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"COLONY TENNIS DISPLAYS LITTLE IMPROVEMENT" —

H.K.L.T.A. Meeting And Some Suggestions

INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT?

"Even though I may be a voice crying in the wilderness, I still say that the standard of lawn tennis in the Colony is lower than it ought to be and is bound to remain so until the younger generation learn that the real value of the racket is to hit the ball and to hit it hard", remarked Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, the President, in the course of the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association held yesterday.

The President stated that the outstanding event during the past year was the visit of the famous professionals, Messrs. W. T. "Big Bill" Tilden and H. Ellesworth Vines.

Seconded by Capt. R. L. Ingpen the report and accounts were adopted.

It was decided to commence the League season on May 31 and that entries should close on May 6.

S. A. Rumjahn suggested that from an economical point of view, the handbooks should be dispensed with and the fixtures, printed on sheets, to be circulated to the various clubs.

MORE COMPETITION WANTED

Referring to the President's comment that the standard of tennis was low, Mr. A. V. Gosano said that he thought there was not enough competitive tennis in the Colony. In Shanghai, he added, they have a series of international tennis matches for the Rotary Club Cup, and he thought that something of a similar nature should be held in the Colony.

Among many tennis players, continued Mr. Gosano, there was a feeling that the Colony championships were held at the wrong time, when cricket and football were the main sports. Was there anything, he asked, to prevent these championships from being held immediately after the close of the Tennis League season, or during the League season. Concluding, Mr. Gosano suggested that as there were so few entries this season in the Mixed Doubles League, could it not be possible to get some Clubs to run a Ladies League as in Shanghai. The Chairman referred these suggestions to the incoming committee.

OFFICIALS ELECTED

The following officials were elected for the ensuing year:—President: Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell; Vice-President: Mr. Ng Sze-kong; Hon. Secretary: C.

MEN'S SINGLES FINAL THIS AFTERNOON THRILLING STRUGGLE ANTICIPATED

"S. A.'S" BUSTLING GAME WILL PAY

(By "ADREM")

TENNIS of a really brilliant calibre should be seen on the Stand Court of the Hong Kong C. C. this afternoon, when S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn contest the final of the singles championship of the Colony.

OPINIONS AS TO THE RESPECTIVE MERITS OF THESE TWO PLAYERS HAVE FLUCTUATED CONSIDERABLY. EARLY IN THE TOURNAMENT "S. A." WAS PLAYING A VERY ERRATIC BRAND OF TENNIS, WHEREAS HIS COUSIN ALWAYS LOOKED CONVINCING.

This led critics to freely forecast a win for the latter. "S. A.'s" game has been slowly worked up as he surmounted one obstacle after another and finally reached its crescendo when he annihilated Teddy Fincher in the semi-final round played last Wednesday.

In this game he revealed that he is not only playing as well as ever, but that he has, if anything, strengthened many of his strokes, notably his backhand, on which wing he was producing with the utmost consistency, brilliant passing shots, which he had never exploited with the same confidence before.

PLAYING WELL

"H. D." has shown up well in all his preliminary games, but this is very probably due to lack of really good opposition. It will be remembered that Fincher was also considered to be playing better this year than for some time, his forehand drive, an acknowledged weakness appearing especially reliable.

When opposed to Sirdar, it was completely exposed as the tentative weapon that it really is. I am of the opinion that Sirdar's bustling type of game will have the same effect on his cousin this afternoon, and provided he plays anything like his normal game, I expect "S.A." to win in straight sets, although interest should be maintained until the very end.

J. Tacchi; Hon. Treasurer: E. Abraham; Executive Committee: A. el Arculli, Capt. R. L. L. Ingpen, E. de Souza and M. W. Lo; Auditors: Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews.

COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association followed immediately, Mr. Justice Lindsell presiding.

The following were elected to the Executive Committee:—Capt. Ingpen, Messrs. A. el Arculli, E. de Souza, and M. W. Lo.

F. A. Broadbridge was re-elected Hon. League Secretary.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson for the loan of their Board Room for the meeting.

Among those present were:—Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, President, Mr. Ng Sze-kong, Vice-President, C. J. Tacchi, (Hon. Secretary), E. Abraham, A. el Arculli, Capt. R. L. L. Ingpen, Capt. R. F. A. Crookshank, Messrs. A. B. Hamson, W. J. Howard, F. H. Kwok, Wong Kwong-fong, G. M. Khan, S. A. Hussain, V. C. Bond, D. T. Smith, S. A. Rumjahn, A. V. Gosano, Albert Chan and Chan Kam-hung.



GOLF STARTING TIMES

Fanling Pairings For Sunday

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling Sunday next:—

OLD COURSE

9.20 a.m.	A. Sommerfelt, R. Young.
9.24 "	D. L. Prophet, W. G. Robertson.
9.28 "	S. A. Sleaf, H. A. Browning.
9.32 "	J. S. Dunnett, F. A. M. Elliott.
9.36 "	J. R. G. Wyatt, F. Buckle.
9.40 "	G. H. Cautherley, H. M. Alexander.
9.44 "	W. A. Adamson, D. J. Keogh.
9.48 "	R. C. Webb, G. T. May.
9.52 "	A. E. Lissaman, D. S. Robb.
9.56 "	H. H. Mundy, W. A. Stewart.
10.00 "	W. Sharp, A. A. Bremner.
10.04 "	J. Stenerson, F. Groves.
10.08 "	H. F. Sommers, D. D. Forbes.
10.12 "	D. J. Gilmore, K. S. Morrison.
10.16 "	I. H. Geare, K. K. Rounds.
10.20 "	G. C. Worrall, J. H. M. Andrew.
10.24 "	G. N. Gawler, E. T. MacMullen.
10.28 "	R. H. Griffiths, C. Austin.
10.32 "	J. G. Campbell, A. B. Purves.
10.36 "	N. K. Littlejohn, H. N. Williamson.
10.40 "	T. Low, N. P. Fox.
10.44 "	H. L. F. Ewin, P. C. Frost.
10.48 "	W. J. E. Mackenzie, H. Overy.
11.00 "	V. M. Grayburn, F. B. Winter.
9.24 a.m.	E. C. & Mrs. Norris.
9.56 "	Mrs. Mundy, Mrs. Stewart.
10.48 "	Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Overy.

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After deducting expenses to the extent of \$146.95, there was for distribution to Charities, the sum of \$495.00 which was divided equally between Civilian, Military and Naval Charities. The Civilian share of \$165 has been divided equally between the Hong Kong Benevolent Society and the Society for the Protection of Children.

"PATSY" HENDREN RETIRING

London, Yesterday. — E. P. ("Patsy") Hendren, the well-known cricketer, is retiring from first class cricket at the end of the year. He has accepted the position of coach at Harrow School.—Reuter's Bulletin.

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SULLIVAN DEFEATS M. PAGH

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LOSER'S BAD TACTICS

Failing to take heed of the lesson he learned in last year's final against L. Goldman, M. Pagh yesterday repeatedly played to A. L. Sullivan's backhand, the latter's strongest department, and in doing so threw away all hopes winning the Hong Kong Cricket Club Singles Lawn Tennis Championship, Sullivan securing the title by 6-3, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3.

With the exception of long baseline rallies and occasional sorties to the net, the encounter was devoid of interest, and it was only in the third stanza that Pagh displayed anything like his true form, scoring repeatedly with deadly placements along the side-lines and making Sullivan run all over the court for the ball.

Pagh's lobbing was fairly accurate and he scored frequently in this department, Sullivan's overhead improving, but slightly beyond last year's level.

FINE BACKHAND

Sullivan has improved beyond all expectations in other departments, and whether it is the new racket with which he plays, or a revived interest in the game I cannot say, but he did go for outright winners and produced them almost at will on a fluent back-hand.

Where he scored repeatedly was in his spin services, and Pagh simply could not return the ball to the court. Sullivan has improved 50 per cent. in his service and only served four double-faults throughout the four sets. Pagh was just the opposite, and his service was his really weak spot, as he often held the advantage with game or set point, only to fail in his service.

HOME FOOTBALL

Clapton Orient Beat Southend

London, To-day.
Playing at home in a Third Division (South) League match, Clapton Orient yesterday defeated Southend by 3 goals to nil.—Reuter.

HONOURS EASY IN DAVIS CUP

Tsui Wai-pui Playing
To-day

CHOY'S DEFEAT

Brighton, To-day.

New Zealand and China shared the spoils in their opening day Davis Cup programme, held here yesterday on the new £50,000 courts, Kho Sin-kie, who has been featured in several brilliant successes on the Riviera and in Nottingham, beating C. E. Malfroy 6-0, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2, while W. C. Choy, who is well-known in the Colony, succumbed to A. C. Stedman in straight sets by 6-4, 6-0, 6-2.

Kho had no difficulty in winning, apart from the third set, when he concentrated less. Otherwise he confidently directed the game by his clever positioning and hard driving, with many delicate drop shots.

Malfroy won the first, fifth and seventh games in the second set. In the third, Kho led two-love, pulling up after being down 15-40 in the second game.

LESS ACCURATE

He dropped his service in the third game and was less accurate, and after two double faults trailed three-four. Malfroy led one-nil in the fourth set, but then Kho braced himself and went on to win mainly by cross-court drives and powerful placements to the corners.

Choy was very impressive in his first set against Stedman, with clever lobbing and a cool baseline game, driving the latter to both corners of the court.

The New Zealander led 2-1, 3-2, 4-3, 4-4, Choy's play being featured by good retrieving, but he was erratic later, when he repeatedly hit the net-cord or sent the ball out of the court.

CHOY OUT-MANOEUVRED

Stedman took command of the situation immediately his Chinese opponent showed signs of cracking and out-manoeuvred Choy, whose backhand failed him badly, while his service was also weak and he double-faulted on several occasions at vital stages.—Reuter.

The Doubles match will be played to-day, when Tsui Wai-pui, the Colony Singles and Doubles champion, will partner Kho Sin-kie against Malfroy and Stedman.

To-morrow, the two remaining matches will be played in the Singles when Kho meets Stedman, and Choy encounters Malfroy. If China can clinch to-day's doubles match, their entry into the next round is almost assured, as Kho is certain to beat Stedman.

YACHT CLUB CLOSING CRUISE TO-MORROW

Good Rowing
Programme

The Rowing Section of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club will conclude their season's activities with a few races on the occasion of the Closing Cruise, which will be held to-morrow afternoon.

The main events will be an International Fours Race and International Pairs Race, the competitors being Germany and England. Two German Pairs are entering. There are also sculling races.

It is hoped that visitors will support the proceedings with their presence, in anticipation of which launches will be leaving Murray Pier at 2 p.m.

CREWS

The following are the names of crews:

INTERNATIONAL PAIRS

Germany

Bow, L. C. Liedke, Stroke, G. Sammer;

Bow, I. Rudloff, Stroke, O. Buse.

England

Bow, J. E. Potter, Stroke, M. W. Scott.

INTERNATIONAL FOURS

Germany

I. Rudloff (Bow), L. C. Liedke (2), H. Lange (3), H. O. Buse (Stroke), W. Sporleder (Cox).

England

J. E. Potter (Bow), M. C. Dobbs (2), M. W. Scott (3), D. Lincoln (Stroke), B. S. Carter (Cox).

SCULLING

Heat 1.—Scott v. Heywood.

Heat 2.—Lincoln v. Buis.

HAPPY EVE FOR ST.

GEORGE'S PLATE

(Continued from Page 18)

MOUNT DAVIS HANDICAP: (SECOND SECTION) 1 1/4 MILES

This should enable Mr. Black to score another win on Commencement Bay, as I fail to see how the other ponies entered are capable of extending it. Gordito, the champion subscription griffin of this year, is in this race, and it will be under the care of Mr. Choy Wing-chiu, with an allowance of five lbs. in weight. One is a griffin and the other a subscription griffin, and in view of Commencement Bay's improvement it should win fairly easily. The other ponies to watch are Sylvandale, Ythan and Night View, especially the latter, which is down to a very low weight.

TAI-MO SHAN HANDICAP: SECOND SECTION (ABOUT FIVE FURLONGS)

The day's racing will conclude with another sprint event, in which I believe that Philanderer (Mr. Y. T. Fung) has a good chance of scoring a belated win. The distance is just about all that Philanderer can stand, and I expect to see Happy Venture close behind, leaving Helephant (Mr. Black) and Araxy (Mr. Proulx) to fight out the third place.

L. D. KILBEE BACK IN COLONY

Among the passengers who arrived in the Colony this morning on board the s.s. Rajputana was Mr. L. D. Kilbee, the well-known Colony cricketer, who some months ago was transferred to Shanghai. He will now remain in Hong Kong indefinitely.

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th April, 1937.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 3rd to 5th May, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the
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J. N. WONG,
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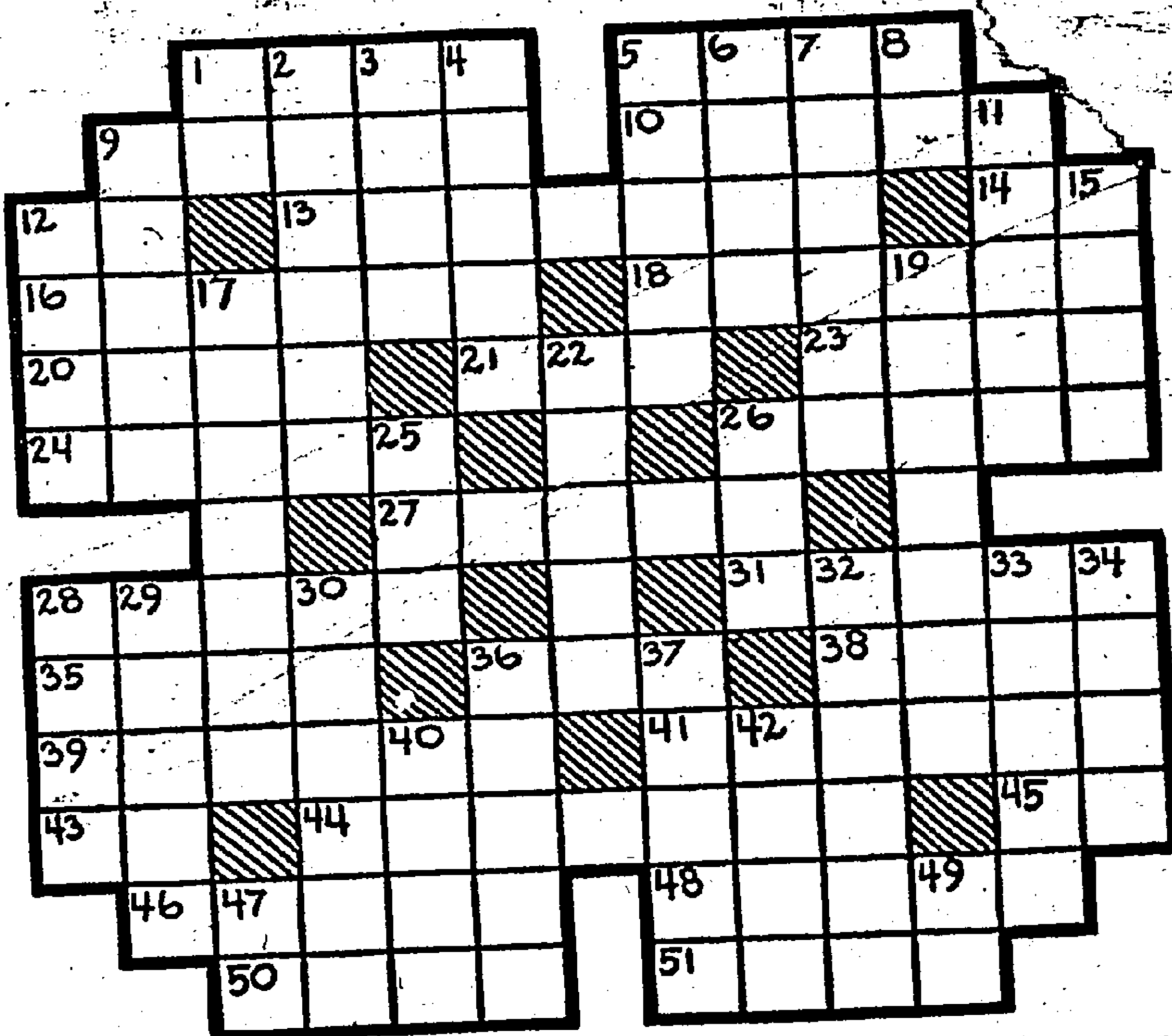
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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Hard knock
- 5-Cultivate
- 9-Stop
- 10-Surfaces
- 12-Conjunction
- 13-Capable of being molded
- 14-Father
- 16-Flavor
- 18-Magistrate of ancient Rome (pl.)
- 20-Wise
- 21-Sorrowful
- 23-Afternoon parties
- 24-Accumulate
- 26-The core
- 27-In that place
- 28-Comic
- 31-Wants
- 35-Feminine suffix (Fr.)
- 36-A grain
- 38-Surface
- 39-To tape again
- 41-Make smaller

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 43-Near (abbr.)
- 44-Reconstructed
- 45-Prefix. From
- 46-Cubic unit of metric measure
- 48-Courses of food
- 50-Verbal
- 51-Gain

VERTICAL

- 1-Exist
- 2-Passes as time
- 3-Capital of Norway
- 4-Allenates the affections of
- 5-Predetermined
- 6-Dry
- 7-Relate
- 8-Mother
- 9-Choice part of anything
- 11-Javelin

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12-Mountain in Thes. early (Gr. Myth.)
- 15-Assistant (abbr.)
- 17-In resistance to
- 19-Commanders
- 22-Mimicry
- 25-Pig-pen
- 26-A fowl
- 28-A woode-plant
- 29-Employers
- 30-Closer
- 32-Church festival
- 33-Aote
- 34-Lucid
- 36-To resist authority
- 37-To strike out, as a vowel
- 40-Christian quarter
- 42-Pen-name of Charles Lamb
- 47-Propose
- 49-A word (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new
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